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                  COURT SECURITY OFFICER: All rise for the
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    jury.
                  (Jury in.)
                  THE COURT: Please be seated.
                  Good morning, Ladies and Gentleman of the
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   Jury.
                  JURORS: Good morning.
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                  THE COURT: Good to see you this morning.
   You look bright-eyed again. We'll see what you look
   like at the end of the day today.
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                  Very well. Mr. Stevenson, you may
13 proceed.
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                  MR. STEVENSON: Thank you.
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                  THE COURT: Oh, before you do, do either
16 side have any exhibits they wish to offer today?
                  MS. MOORE: Yes, Your Honor.
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                  At this time, Plaintiffs offer their
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19 exhibit list titled Plaintiff's Preadmitted Exhibit List
20 for June 5th, 2013.
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                  THE COURT: All right. They will be
22 marked as Plaintiff's Exhibit List No. 3.
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                  Do Defendants have any objections to the
24 exhibits listed thereon?
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MR. DE VRIES: We do not, Your Honor.

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1 THE COURT: All right. They are
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- 2 admitted.
- 3 All right. Do Defendants have a similar
- 4 list?
- 5 MR. DE VRIES: We do, Your Honor. Thank
- 6 you.
- 7 At this time, Defendants offer
- 8 Defendants' List of Preadmitted Exhibits for June 5th,
- 9 2013.
- 10 THE COURT: All right. Is there any
- 11 objection to those?
- MS. MOORE: No, Your Honor.
- 13 THE COURT: Those will be marked as
- 14 Defendant's Exhibit List No. 3, and they are admitted.
- 15 All right, Mr. Stevenson. You may
- 16 proceed.
- 17 MR. STEVENSON: Thank you, Your Honor.
- 18 SCOTT NETTLES, Ph.D., PLAINTIFFS' WITNESS,
- 19 PREVIOUSLY SWORN
- 20 DIRECT EXAMINATION (CONTINUED)
- 21 BY MR. STEVENSON:
- Q. Dr. Nettles, are you ready?
- 23 A. Yes, sir, I am.
- Q. All right. I'd like to get into the claims
- 25 today, but before we embark upon that, I thought it

- 1 might be a little bit helpful to maybe spend a few
- 2 minutes with a refresher of what we heard last night
- 3 before we left.
- 4 A. Sounds good to me.
- 5 Q. So this is our diagram of the network.
- 6 A. Yes, sir.
- 7 Q. And the base station is what? Remind us
- 8 again.
- 9 A. That's your router in your home in 802.11.
- 10 Q. And in 802.11, these terminals were what?
- 11 A. They would be laptops or desktops or tablets
- 12 or all sorts of devices that would connect wirelessly.
- 13 Q. And remind us about what these blue dashed
- 14 lines are that we saw yesterday, please.
- 15 A. The blue dashed lines are really rectangular
- 16 boxes that carry the data that the user's actually
- 17 interested in.
- 18 Q. Are these the things we will be talking about
- 19 that are packets?
- 20 A. Yes, sir, they're packets.
- 21 Q. And are they carried on the radio waves along
- 22 the wireless network?
- 23 A. Exactly.
- Q. If people have their laptops on in this room
- 25 right now with 802.11, are there packets flying around

- 1 in the air?
- 2 A. Yes, sir, there are.
- 3 Q. And what do the packets carry?
- 4 A. Well, they carry -- the blue ones carry user
- 5 data, along with a bunch of fields with other
- 6 information.
- 7 Q. And these packets would be where, if you were
- 8 sending the picture to somebody, pieces of that picture
- 9 might be torn up and put inside to be sent across the
- 10 network?
- 11 A. Yes, sir, that's exactly correct.
- 12 Q. And are the inventions we're going to be
- 13 talking about today dealing with the way packets are
- 14 created and dealt with by the transmitters and
- 15 receivers?
- 16 A. Yes, sir, they are.
- 17 Q. And do all the members of the network have to
- 18 understand, have a common agreement, on what the form of
- 19 the packets are going to be?
- 20 A. Yes, sir. That's an aspect of the standard.
- 21 Q. Yesterday we looked into some packets, I think
- 22 we zoomed in on a packet, and we saw some compartments.
- 23 Remind us the word you used to describe what
- 24 those compartments are.
- 25 A. I used the word field, but I'll probably use

- 1 that word and the word compartment today.
- Q. Okay. And are those compartments important in
- 3 a packet network such as this?
- 4 A. Oh, yes, sir. They're -- they're very
- 5 important. Exactly how big they are, exactly where they
- 6 are, exactly what their constants are, that's a lot of
- 7 what the standard is about.
- 8 Q. And, again, does every member of the network
- 9 need to agree on where the compartments are in the
- 10 packets and what they do?
- 11 A. Yes, sir. Otherwise, they won't be able to
- 12 communicate.
- Q. And I think we'll be dealing with some
- 14 inventions that talk about those fields or compartments,
- 15 right?
- 16 A. Yes, sir, we will.
- 17 Q. Okay. Well, let's move on now to the '215
- 18 patent.
- 19 MR. STEVENSON: And I believe this is at
- 20 Tab 6 in the jury notebook as Plaintiffs' Exhibit 10.
- Q. (By Mr. Stevenson) When was this patent filed
- 22 for?
- 23 A. This patent was filed on April 9th, 1999.
- Q. How can you tell that?
- 25 A. Well, what we are seeing here is the front of

- 1 the packet -- of the patent. It's easy to get them
- 2 mixed up. The front of the patent. And we -- there's
- 3 some blowouts here that have some specific information.
- 4 So the first blowout says: Provisional
- 5 application filed on April 9, 1999.
- 6 Q. And dates are important when it comes to
- 7 patents, right?
- 8 A. Very important, yes, sir.
- 9 Q. The date the patent issued was?
- 10 A. August the 3rd, 2004.
- 11 Q. And can you explain to us, just in a nutshell,
- 12 how we ought to think about this patent, and then we're
- 13 going to obviously unpack that and talk about it in
- 14 detail, but give us a headline for the patent.
- 15 A. Well, if you'll remember, we talked a little
- 16 bit about block acknowledgements. That's the way that
- 17 the receiver is going to tell the transmitter what
- 18 information was successfully received and what
- 19 information was not successfully received.
- 20 And this patent concerns providing flexibility
- 21 in the standard to have different kinds of responses and
- 22 specifically with a type identifier field, which is
- 23 going to help provide that flexibility.
- Q. Okay. What were the inventors working on when
- 25 they came up with this invention?

- 1 A. They were working on 3G cellular standards.
- Q. That's the 3G cellular standards that would be
- 3 in one of these phones?
- 4 A. Yes, sir.
- 5 Q. Why would an invention for a 3G cellular
- 6 standard be also applicable to Wi-Fi or 802.11n?
- 7 A. Well, these are all wireless networks, and
- 8 especially when they're sending data, they work in very
- 9 similar ways, and in particular, both 3G networks and
- 10 802.11 have these protocols that involve these
- 11 acknowledgements. They're call ARQ protocols.
- 12 Q. Do both cellular and 802.11 networks use
- 13 data -- excuse me -- use ARQ protocols?
- 14 A. Yes, sir, they both do.
- Q. What does that stand for, ARQ?
- 16 A. That stands for automatic repeat request.
- 17 Q. Okay. And could you tell us what that means
- 18 in lay terminology?
- 19 A. Well, it's really the protocol we've already
- 20 been talking about. It's a protocol whereby, in our
- 21 specific case, the transmitter is going to send a
- 22 request to the receiver to tell it what it received, and
- 23 the receiver's going to respond, and then the
- 24 transmitter is going to, again, in our case, optionally
- 25 retransmit.

- 1 And that whole process of sending and
- 2 acknowledgement and the retransmitting and then maybe
- 3 sending another acknowledgement, that's what an ARQ
- 4 protocol is.
- 5 Q. Okay. And so cellular phones, as well as home
- 6 Wi-Fi, do those things?
- 7 A. Yes, sir, they do.
- 8 Q. Do both use packets?
- 9 A. Yes, sir, they do.
- 10 Q. And do both have acknowledgements of packets?
- 11 A. Yes, sir. That's part of the ARQ protocol.
- 12 Q. Do both cellular networks and Wi-Fi have to
- 13 deal with dropped packets and that sort of thing?
- 14 A. Yes, sir. Again, they're both wireless, so...
- 15 Q. And my phone can be on the cellular system,
- 16 right, to make cellular calls, but, simultaneously, I
- 17 think I can connect to Wi-Fi.
- 18 A. Yes, sir, that's correct.
- 19 Q. Are those using, like, you know, kind of
- 20 different networks?
- 21 A. They're using different networks, yes, sir.
- Q. At the same time?
- 23 A. At the same time.
- Q. Okay. So you told us that this patent deals
- 25 with that response that we saw on the animation

- 1 yesterday, which is when the base station says, did you
- 2 get all my packets, and then the terminal says, yeah, I
- 3 got 1, 2, 4, 9, dropped 3 and 6?
- 4 A. Yes, sir, that's correct.
- 5 Q. Okay. And so are we -- is this patent dealing
- 6 with that response back to the base station?
- 7 A. Yes, sir, exactly.
- 8 Q. What triggers this response that we're talking
- 9 about?
- 10 A. In this case, there's a request. So the
- 11 response is called a block acknowledgement, and the
- 12 request is called a block acknowledgement request.
- 13 Q. Okay. And does this patent deal with the
- 14 format of the response of that acknowledgement?
- 15 A. Yes, sir, it does.
- Q. And why is the response format important?
- 17 A. Well, we'd like to have a number of possible
- 18 different formats as part of the standard so that we can
- 19 have flexibility in the system.
- Q. When can a transmitter send this
- 21 acknowledgement -- excuse me -- send a request?
- 22 A. Well, typically, it's sent after it's sent a
- 23 group of packets that it wants to know whether or not
- 24 they've been received or not.
- 25 O. Now, explain to me, please -- you mentioned

- 1 this invention gives flexibility. How does it do that?
- 2 A. Well, it allows the protocol to define a
- 3 number of different possible responses and for the
- 4 receiver to indicate which of those possible responses
- 5 it's actually using in the block acknowledgement.
- 6 Q. Why not just have one?
- 7 A. Because really if we had one, we'd be saying
- 8 that one size fits all; and one size, in this case,
- 9 doesn't fit all.
- 10 Q. Is there in the patent an indication of
- 11 different types of message formats and how the packets
- 12 indicate which one is being used?
- 13 A. Oh, yes, sir, that's -- since that's the
- 14 primary point of the invention, that's very clearly
- 15 described in the patent.
- 16 Q. And what is that called in the patent?
- 17 A. That's called the type identifier.
- 18 Q. What does the type -- well, what is the type
- 19 identifier? Is that one of the compartments that's in
- 20 the packet going back?
- 21 A. Yes, sir, exactly.
- Q. And we're talking here about the red packets
- 23 rather than the orange ones?
- 24 A. Yes, sir. The red packets, they're going from
- 25 the receiver to the transmitter.

- 1 Q. And do those have compartments in them as
- 2 well?
- 3 A. Yes, sir, all packets do.
- 4 Q. So is this type identifier field located in a
- 5 compartment in one of those red packets?
- 6 A. Exactly.
- 7 Q. Do you have a slide that shows visually for us
- 8 how the type identifier would work?
- 9 A. Yes, sir, I do. I think it's the next slide.
- 10 Q. Okay. Do you want to go to that?
- 11 A. Yes, sir.
- 12 Q. All right. Let's orient everyone to what
- 13 we're seeing.
- 14 A. So here we see the base station on the left
- 15 and the terminal on the right.
- 16 Q. What we're seeing on your slide is sort of a
- 17 zoom-in of the base station and one of the terminals?
- 18 A. And the base station in this case is going to
- 19 act as the transmitter, and the terminal is going to act
- 20 as the receiver.
- 21 Q. That's what the blue arrows indicate?
- 22 A. Yes, sir. And we'll see some packets getting
- 23 sent as the animation proceeds.
- MR. STEVENSON: Stop that there.
- Q. (By Mr. Stevenson) Are we basically now seeing

- 1 these blue packets sent across?
- 2 A. That's exactly correct.
- 3 Q. And what happens next?
- 4 A. Well, next the receiver is going to send back
- 5 a block acknowledgement. That's this orange packet that
- 6 we see.
- 7 Q. And is this one of those control packets or
- 8 those red packets?
- 9 A. Yes, sir, it is.
- 10 Q. And does this one correspond to that message
- 11 we talked about earlier?
- 12 A. Yes, sir. This is the block acknowledgement
- 13 message.
- 14 Q. Is this the one where the -- the terminal is
- 15 saying, here's the packets I got from you, and here's
- 16 the packets I didn't get?
- 17 A. Exactly.
- 18 Q. And -- and I'm going to forward -- I'm going
- 19 to jump into the future a little bit here with the
- 20 patents, but how is the transmitter going to use that
- 21 information later on down the line on which packets got
- 22 lost and which packets didn't get lost?
- 23 A. Well, obviously, if a packet was successfully
- 24 received, there's no reason to retransmit it, so it's
- 25 going to look at the ones that weren't successfully

- 1 received, and then later on, it's going to make a
- 2 decision about whether or not to retransmit those
- 3 packets or not.
- 4 O. Okay. But that's in the future. Let's deal
- 5 with now what we're talking about in the present.
- 6 Can we zoom in to that message and see it in a
- 7 little more detail and look at the compartments?
- 8 A. Yes, sir, we can.
- 9 MR. STEVENSON: Would you zoom in to it?
- 10 Q. (By Mr. Stevenson) What's the dark orange and
- 11 the light orange?
- 12 A. The dark orange is this type identifier field.
- 13 It's the thing that's going to tell us what the rest of
- 14 the packet means.
- 15 And the light orange is called a bitmap. It's
- 16 a list of yeses and noes that explain which packets have
- 17 been received and which packets haven't been received.
- 18 Q. So, for instance, the 1s and 0s that we see
- 19 there --
- 20 MR. STEVENSON: And, Mr. Diaz, would you
- 21 go back to the slide, please. Thank you.
- Q. (By Mr. Stevenson) The 1s and 0s we're seeing
- 23 there, 10, 11, 10, is that a code to indicate which
- 24 packets have gotten through and which ones haven't?
- 25 A. It's really a list of yeses and noes. So it

- 1 says the first packet was received; the second packet
- 2 wasn't, et cetera.
- 3 Q. 1 is a yes, and 0 is a no?
- 4 A. In this case, yes, sir.
- 5 Q. Okay. Now, there's a -- the -- the front
- 6 field that's darker orange is identified as type
- 7 identifier. What's that?
- 8 A. Well, that's the -- that's the field that lets
- 9 us know what the format of the second field is. So what
- 10 does it -- what does the second field mean? We have to
- 11 look at the type identifier.
- 12 Q. When you say it lets us know --
- 13 A. Sorry. It lets the transmitter know.
- 14 Q. Okay. So the terminal is sending this group
- 15 of 1s and 0s to the base station in the light yellow?
- 16 A. Right.
- 17 Q. And those are going to basically be the list
- 18 or correspond to the -- which packets have been received
- 19 and which haven't?
- 20 A. Exactly.
- 21 Q. And so what -- what is the type identifier
- 22 doing to help out in that process?
- 23 A. Well, it's telling us basically the format of
- 24 that list and what kind of exactly -- exact information
- 25 that list is carrying.

- 1 Q. Okay. And does this type identifier key into
- 2 another table --
- 3 A. Yes, sir.
- 4 Q. -- that we saw a second ago?
- 5 A. There's a table that says what the
- 6 different -- so we see 10 here, but, obviously, there
- 7 are four different values. And this is the table.
- 8 Q. Okay. Explain to us why 10 is four different
- 9 values.
- 10 A. Well, it's -- 10 is one value, but there's two
- 11 bits there, and so that field can have the value 00, 01,
- 12 10, or 11.
- Q. Okay. You can't have any 2s or 3s or 4s in
- 14 there?
- 15 A. No, sir.
- 16 Q. Its all --
- 17 A. It's all 1s and 0s.
- 18 Q. Is that how networks like this talk, just all
- 19 1s and 0s?
- 20 A. Yes, sir. That's how digital computers work.
- Q. Okay. Okay. So if you have two spots for
- 22 numbers, and they have to either be 1 or 0, that gives
- 23 you four variations, basically, right?
- A. Exactly four, yes, sir.
- 25 Q. 00, 01, 10, and 11.

- 1 A. Exactly.
- Q. So this type of identifier field now, we look
- 3 below it, and does that match up to a table that gives
- 4 you what the identifiers would -- would correspond to?
- 5 A. That's exactly what this table is.
- 6 Q. So explain to us how the base station in this
- 7 example would use that table to figure out the message
- 8 type for the rest of the packet.
- 9 A. For example, in this example, the type
- 10 identifier is 10, so the receiver, the base station in
- 11 this case, would take the 10 and would look in the table
- 12 and would see that it means that the rest of the
- 13 information is a bitmap. And that's what we call this
- 14 content field, is a bitmap, this list of 1s and 0s.
- 15 Q. So this is sort of matching up a number in a
- 16 table and then going over and seeing what it is?
- 17 A. That's correct.
- 18 Q. All right. And there are other choices there,
- 19 aren't there? No more list ACK?
- 20 A. Yes, sir.
- Q. What do those mean?
- 22 A. Well, no more is a way of indicating that
- 23 there's going to be no more indications of what things
- 24 have been received or not received.
- 25 A list means that there's going to be a list,

- 1 so a list might actually say 1, 4, 7, instead of using a
- 2 bitmap.
- 3 And then an ACK would just be a plain ACK
- 4 that you would typically use if there was only one
- 5 packet that you were trying to acknowledge.
- 6 Q. Okay. Let's say the rules of the system were
- 7 such that we were just going to send a bitmap all the
- 8 time.
- 9 A. Yes, sir.
- 10 Q. Never had in the rules a list or an ACK or
- 11 anything else?
- 12 A. Right.
- Q. Would you need a type identifier?
- 14 A. No, sir, you wouldn't.
- 15 Q. You could just send a bitmap over, and
- 16 everyone would know how to decode it?
- 17 A. That's right. And, in fact, you wouldn't want
- 18 to use a type identifier because it would take up space
- 19 in that case.
- Q. What's wrong with taking up space?
- 21 A. Well, it's overhead. It's something that you
- 22 have to pay for sending.
- Q. Okay. Now, I'd like to take this animation
- 24 you did and relate it back to the patent we're looking
- 25 at so we can tie it into what's in the patent.

- 1 A. Okay.
- Q. Is this table that you've shown us, in the
- 3 patent somewhere?
- 4 A. Yes, sir, exactly this table.
- 5 Q. And is that in the '215 patent?
- 6 A. Yes, sir.
- 7 So here we see the table.
- 8 MR. STEVENSON: And I'll invite everyone
- 9 in their patents to turn to Column 9.
- 10 A. And in the background, we can see the actual
- 11 patent, and it's by columns. And this part of the
- 12 patent is called a written description, and it's where
- 13 the inventors describe how to make or use -- how to make
- 14 their invention.
- 15 Q. (By Mr. Stevenson) Wait a second and let
- 16 everybody get there.
- 17 All right. Where do -- and we see this table
- 18 that was in your animation at the top of Column 9?
- 19 A. Yes, sir. It's exactly the same table.
- 20 MR. STEVENSON: And, Mr. Diaz, could you
- 21 pull up this patent, PX 10, on our exhibit display?
- 22 Q. (By Mr. Stevenson) I notice something in the
- 23 next column, which is Column 10, I'd like to get you to
- 24 look at.
- 25 A. Okay.

- 1 Q. And that's at Column 10, Line 10. I think the
- 2 way the Court told us, you can look at the top line of
- 3 the column and then go down on the left to the small
- 4 numbers. Column 10, Line 10.
- 5 A. Yes, sir. That's how it works.
- 6 Q. What does -- what does this say? Could you
- 7 read it to us, please?
- 8 A. This says: Although embodiments of the method
- 9 and apparatus of the present invention have been
- 10 illustrated in the accompanying drawings and described
- 11 in the foregoing detailed description, it will be
- 12 understand -- understood that the invention is not
- 13 limited to the embodiments disclosed but is capable of
- 14 numerous rearrangements, modifications, and
- 15 substitutions without departing from the spirit of the
- 16 invention as set forth and defined by the following
- 17 claims.
- 18 Q. All right. What does that mean to you?
- 19 A. Well, it's explaining that, although they've
- 20 given a specific description of how to build the
- 21 invention, there could be lots of other different ways
- 22 to build the invention that would still meet the claims
- 23 and would be part of the claimed invention.
- Q. All right. So the Court instructed us that
- 25 that you can consider the patent in a couple of

- 1 different sections.
- 2 A. Yes, sir.
- 3 Q. One part is the claims, which start right
- 4 there in Column 10, right under that paragraph you just
- 5 read.
- 6 A. Yes, sir.
- 7 Q. What do you understand the claims to be?
- 8 A. Well, the claims are what really define the
- 9 invention. In fact, actually, each individual claim is
- 10 its own invention.
- 11 Q. Okay. So the claims are a legal description
- 12 of the invention for purposes of figuring out if there's
- 13 infringement?
- 14 A. Exactly.
- 15 Q. And everything before the claims, the
- 16 tables -- and if you flip back, there's a lot of them --
- 17 and figures and a lot of diagrams. What are the --
- 18 what's the purpose of those in a patent?
- 19 A. Well, they're so that -- one of the
- 20 requirements of a patent is that you have to actually be
- 21 able to -- somebody has to be able to read the patent
- 22 and build the thing that's been invented or use the
- 23 method.
- 24 And so the purpose of the previous is really
- 25 to explain to someone who, in this case, is a computer

- 1 programmer, a networking person, how to build this
- 2 invention in a specific context.
- 3 Q. Okay. Did this invention get carried over
- 4 into 802.11n, years later?
- 5 A. Oh, yes, sir.
- 6 Q. Let's look at the claim now. And we'll be
- 7 looking at two claims from this patent, Claim 1 and
- 8 Claim 2.
- 9 How did you go about determining if the claim
- 10 was infringed?
- 11 A. I looked at each one of the limitations --
- 12 that's each one of the things that are set aside with a
- 13 box beside it -- and I looked in the products, and I
- 14 asked: Does the product do the thing that's in the
- 15 limitation? So can I find this action in the product?
- 16 Q. And so the question is, if all the boxes check
- 17 off, the claim is infringed?
- 18 A. That's exactly the question.
- 19 Q. Now, as part of doing the analysis, does it
- 20 matter if the patent owner attended the standard meeting
- 21 for the standard that was being accused?
- 22 A. No, sir. It only matters if the claim
- 23 limitations are met.
- Q. Okay. Does it matter if the alleged infringer
- 25 attended the standard-setting meeting?

- 1 A. No, sir. It only matters if the limitations
- 2 are met.
- 3 Q. Does it matter if anybody wrote up a paper and
- 4 contributed it to the standard for voting to see if it
- 5 got in as to whether that claim is infringed?
- 6 A. No, sir. It really only matters if the
- 7 individual limitations are all met.
- 8 Q. Who have you found in your work infringes
- 9 Claim 1?
- 10 A. The router Defendants, the computer
- 11 Defendants, and Intel.
- 12 Q. Let's talk about this claim a little bit now
- 13 in more detail.
- 14 Is a method for minimizing feedback responses
- 15 in an ARQ protocol.
- 16 A. Yes, sir.
- 17 Q. And, again, ARQ protocol is something that's
- 18 not just in cellular; it's also in Wi-Fi?
- 19 A. Yes, sir.
- 20 Q. And this is a method claim. Explain what a
- 21 method claim is, please, as you understand it.
- 22 A. In -- for method claims to infringe, you have
- 23 to do the method. So a method claim is like a recipe.
- 24 It's a set of steps. And so to infringe, you have to do
- 25 each one of the individual steps.

- 1 Q. And we see these three steps here?
- 2 A. That's right.
- 3 Q. So we should go through each three of the
- 4 steps and see if those are met in the standard in the
- 5 product.
- 6 A. That's right.
- 7 Q. Who have you found -- well, let me ask this:
- 8 Does the programming that the Defendants put in their
- 9 products perform this method automatically without user
- 10 intervention?
- 11 A. Yes, sir, it does.
- 12 Q. And in addition to the Defendants, who else
- 13 performs the method that you found?
- 14 A. The users of the devices the Defendants sell.
- Q. Who's responsible for that?
- 16 A. The Defendants.
- 17 Q. Why is that?
- 18 A. The Defendants induce the users to practice
- 19 this method by basically selling something that does the
- 20 method and encouraging them to use it.
- Q. And have you seen evidence that the Defendants
- 22 intend that their devices be used for 802.11n?
- 23 A. Yes, sir. That -- that's -- that's the whole
- 24 reason for selling them.
- 25 Q. And when 802.11n devices connect, do they

- 1 connect at the highest speed they can, as in 802.11n?
- 2 A. Yes, sir, they do.
- Q. Let's look at the first two steps here. Let's
- 4 take them together. The first is sending a plurality of
- 5 first data units over a communication link. And the
- 6 next is receiving said plurality of data units.
- 7 A. Yes, sir.
- 8 Q. What devices perform these steps on the
- 9 network?
- 10 A. The transmitter will send the plurality of
- 11 data units. That's really saying that the transmitter
- 12 sends packets, and the receiver will receive those
- 13 packets.
- 14 Q. And -- and, again, as a reminder, although in
- 15 one of these networks you have a router and either
- 16 laptops or other devices, all of them are capable of
- 17 transmitting and receiving, right?
- 18 A. Oh, yes, sir, and all of them actually do
- 19 transmit and receive in the normal process of using the
- 20 network.
- Q. What are the data units that are referred to
- 22 here, the first data units?
- 23 A. Those are the packets we've been looking at.
- Q. The blue packets?
- 25 A. Yes, sir.

- 1 Q. And are a plurality sent?
- 2 A. Yes, sir. It wouldn't be a very useful
- 3 network if you only sent one packet.
- 4 Q. And would they be received after being sent at
- 5 least --
- 6 A. Not always, but usually, yes, sir.
- 7 Q. Have you found these two elements met by the
- 8 Defendants with regard to their accused products?
- 9 A. I have.
- 10 Q. I'm going to check those off as we go.
- 11 Let's go to the next element. It says: Responsive to
- 12 the receiving step, constructing a message field for a
- 13 second data unit, said message field, including a type
- 14 identifier field and at least one of a sequence number,
- 15 field length, field, and content field.
- 16 A. Yes, sir.
- 17 Q. Let's parse this out.
- This step has to be done responsive to the
- 19 receiving step?
- 20 A. That's right.
- 21 Q. And have you found that is true in the
- 22 Defendants' products?
- 23 A. Yes, sir, I have.
- Q. Then it has to construct a message field for a
- 25 second data unit?

- 1 A. Yes, sir.
- Q. Now, let's stop there.
- 3 What's the second data unit?
- 4 A. The second data unit in this particular case
- 5 is going to be the block acknowledgement that the
- 6 receiver is going to send.
- 7 Q. And what does a block acknowledgement do?
- 8 A. It acknowledges a group of packets and which
- 9 ones have been received and which ones haven't.
- 10 Q. Okay. And has the Court given us a
- 11 construction for this particular term?
- 12 A. Yes, sir, it has.
- 13 Q. And is that construction contained in the jury
- 14 notebook at Tab 1, as well as on the screen here?
- 15 A. Yes, sir.
- 16 Q. And I think we made -- it says definition
- 17 here. We may use construction and definition
- 18 interchangeably. Would you read the Court's
- 19 construction or definition to us?
- 20 A. Responsive to the receiving step, generating a
- 21 message field, including a field that identifies the
- 22 message type of the feedback response message from a
- 23 number of different message types.
- Q. Okay. Did you apply that in your work here?
- 25 A. Yes, sir. I'm required to.

- Q. Now, you called this a block acknowledgement,
- 2 the --
- 3 A. Yes, sir.
- 4 Q. -- second data unit. What does a block
- 5 acknowledgement do within the standard in the products?
- 6 A. Well, it's a way of acknowledging more than
- 7 one packet at a time.
- 8 Q. Okay. This is the message in the tutorial you
- 9 gave us about I received 1, 2, 5, and 9 and missed 3 and
- 10 63
- 11 A. Exactly.
- 12 Q. Does the standard have rules about when
- 13 receivers send block acknowledgements?
- 14 A. Yes, sir, it does.
- 15 Q. And when is that?
- 16 A. Well, when -- when it's -- the receiver is
- 17 asked to send them, because it's gotten a block
- 18 acknowledgement request.
- 19 Q. Okay. Does the receiver have to follow the
- 20 rules?
- 21 A. Yes, sir, it does.
- Q. How many different types of block
- 23 acknowledgement requests are there?
- 24 A. There are two types of block acknowledgement
- 25 requests.

- 1 Q. Okay. What are those called?
- 2 A. We call them explicit and implicit.
- 3 Q. Does the standard define the type of response
- 4 message that can be sent?
- 5 A. Yes, sir, it does. It defines a set of types.
- 6 Q. Okay.
- 7 MR. STEVENSON: Can we go to the next
- 8 slide, please?
- 9 Q. (By Mr. Stevenson) All right. Is this a
- 10 copy, or at least a slide that has the first page of the
- 11 standard?
- 12 A. Yes, sir. This is the amendment from 2009
- 13 that basically set up 802.11n.
- Q. Is this Plaintiffs' Exhibit 286?
- 15 A. Yes, sir, it is.
- 16 Q. And can we go into this and see which -- where
- 17 those definitions are?
- 18 A. We can.
- 19 Q. Okay. We had something pop up, and we're
- 20 going to be seeing a lot of this in the slides. I want
- 21 to make sure that we're all understanding what we're
- 22 seeing.
- 23 And have you got a copy of your standard in
- 24 front of you?
- 25 A. I do.

- 1 Q. Okay. And it may help you to look at that,
- 2 whichever is better for you.
- 3 What are we seeing sort of pulled up on this
- 4 slide as a call-out in front of the cover page of the
- 5 standard?
- 6 A. Well, that's a figure that appears on Page 30
- 7 of the actual standard.
- 8 Q. Is this something you made up as an animation,
- 9 or is this actually a -- a picture of the document?
- 10 A. This is -- this is a Xerox copy of the -- of
- 11 the document.
- 12 Q. All right. And so this long rectangle with
- 13 compartments is what -- can you relate it back to us on
- 14 what we're -- what would be here?
- 15 A. It's the second data unit.
- 16 Q. The second data unit?
- 17 A. Yes, sir.
- 18 Q. And it would be one of these orange squares?
- 19 A. Yes, sir, one that's going from the receiver
- 20 to the transmitter.
- 21 Q. So what we've done is we've -- we've zoomed in
- 22 on the orange square now to look deep inside it, and
- 23 this is -- this isn't an animation. This is really
- 24 what's in the standard as to the compartments in that
- 25 orange square?

- 1 A. Yes, sir. And this is really what's going to
- 2 be transmitted over the radio waves eventually, as well.
- 3 Q. So we're going to look into the orange square.
- What are we looking for to see if there's
- 5 infringement?
- 6 A. We're looking for this type identifier field.
- 7 Q. Okay. Will you show us -- can we zoom in on
- 8 this -- on the standard and see where you found the type
- 9 identifier field?
- 10 A. Yes, sir. If you'll -- if you'll notice, one
- 11 of the compartments right in the middle is called BA
- 12 control, and that's going to be where the type
- 13 identifier field is.
- 14 Q. Okay. Is that a single compartment, or is it
- 15 a -- compartments within a compartment?
- 16 A. So as we said, these are complicated systems,
- 17 so often the compartments have compartments nested
- 18 inside of them. So this is one of those kinds of
- 19 compartments. So we should look inside to see the
- 20 actual type identifier field.
- Q. Okay. Sort of like those Russian
- 22 gift-within-a-gift-within-a-gift things?
- 23 A. Yes, sir.
- Q. All right. So we're now into now -- so what
- 25 you've done is you've zoomed into what's inside that

- 1 control field?
- 2 A. That's right.
- 3 Q. Is that more compartments?
- 4 A. Yes, sir. These are the compartments that are
- 5 inside of that -- that control field. And this is
- 6 actually on Page 31 of the standard.
- 7 Q. And that's Figure 7-16?
- 8 A. Yes, sir, it is.
- 9 Q. Okay.
- 10 A. And what we see here is that there are two
- 11 fields that are highlighted, the multi-TID field and the
- 12 compressed bit map field. And those two fields taken
- 13 together are the TID that's described in the claim.
- 14 Q. There's numbers that say bits under the bottom
- 15 of that?
- 16 A. Yes, sir.
- Q. What do those numbers refer to?
- 18 A. Well, that's telling us that the very first
- 19 bit of this field is the BlockAck policy and that the
- 20 next two bits are the multi-TID and compressed bitmap
- 21 and that -- and those are the ones we've identified as
- 22 the TID. And then there are 9 that are reserved.
- 23 That's so that later on, if we want to change
- 24 the standard, we can add stuff there.
- Q. Okay. You said TID a couple of times --

- 1 A. Type identifier.
- 2 Q. Type identifier?
- 3 A. Yes, sir.
- 4 Q. All right.
- 5 A. Sorry.
- 6 Q. Is that the type identifier that is called out
- 7 in the claim?
- 8 A. Yes, sir, it is.
- 9 Q. The TID is the type identifier?
- 10 A. Yes, sir.
- 11 Q. And do you have to take these two
- 12 compartments -- the multi-TID and the compressed bitmap
- 13 together for your code?
- 14 A. You do.
- 15 Q. Okay. How many numbers go in that first
- 16 compartment, the multi-TID?
- 17 A. Only a 0 or a 1.
- 18 Q. What about the next one, the compressed
- 19 bitmap?
- 20 A. Only a 0 or a 1.
- Q. So we have four variations of this, different
- 22 types?
- 23 A. Yes, sir, exactly.
- Q. In addition to a type identifier field, there
- 25 has to be at least one of a sequence number, a blank

- 1 field, and a content field. Can you show us where those
- 2 are in the standard?
- 3 A. Yes, sir. If you look just to the right of
- 4 the BA control field, there's something called a BA
- 5 information field on the top figure.
- 6 Q. Now, that's -- that's in yellow now.
- 7 A. Yes, sir. And so that's -- that's where --
- 8 that's where the -- there's actually going to be a
- 9 sequence number and a content field in the BA
- 10 information field.
- 11 Q. Okay. Can you zoom into the BA information
- 12 field?
- 13 A. Yes, sir, we can.
- Q. Okay. Let's see what's in there.
- There's two compartments or sub compartments
- 16 within that?
- 17 A. Yes, sir. This is a figure from Page 33, and
- 18 the first sub compartment is starting sequence control.
- 19 That's a sequence number. And the second field is the
- 20 BlockAck bitmap. That's a kind of content field. In
- 21 fact, it's a content field that is a bitmap.
- Q. All right. So does that satisfy this
- 23 requirement of the content field?
- A. Yes, sir, it does.
- Q. Now, let's -- let's put our English grammar

- 1 hats on for a minute.
- 2 It says -- the claim requires the message
- 3 field include the type identifier field -- we've seen
- 4 that?
- 5 A. Yes, sir.
- 6 Q. And at least one of them, a sequence number
- 7 field, a length field, and a content field?
- 8 A. That's right.
- 9 Q. So for this part of the claim, at least one
- 10 of, how many of these three selections need to be
- 11 present for it to be met?
- 12 A. Just one.
- Q. Why is that?
- 14 A. Well, because that's what "at least one of"
- 15 means.
- 16 Q. So type identifier field, plus at least one of
- 17 any of the following three selections, and this is true?
- 18 A. Yes, sir.
- 19 Q. Which one of the three selections does the
- 20 standard use for the second part of that sentence?
- 21 A. The standard actually has two of them. It has
- 22 a sequence number and a content field.
- Q. Now, are there rules in the standard about
- 24 what information has to go into each one of these slots?
- 25 A. Yes, sir. I mean, the rules are about what

- 1 are the possible things that can go there. But in
- 2 particular, there's very specific things in the standard
- 3 about what can be in that type identifier field.
- 4 Q. And is there some guidance given in there?
- 5 A. Oh, yes, sir. There's -- there's a table that
- 6 explains what the possible values are and what they
- 7 mean.
- 8 Q. Here's what I think might be helpful for all
- 9 of us at this stage is if we take this information we've
- 10 seen here now and put it back into the format of that
- 11 first animation you showed us, maybe it would be a
- 12 little more helpful to us?
- 13 A. Yes, sir. It won't be as abstract then.
- 14 Q. Right. Okay. So this is what we showed at
- 15 the beginning to sort of introduce the patented idea.
- 16 Now we have this for purposes of the claim comparison.
- 17 A. Exactly.
- 18 Q. Is this back to the base station and terminal
- 19 that we're seeing?
- 20 A. Right, and -- and the transmitter and
- 21 receiver.
- Q. And now instead of trying to depict how the
- 23 patent works, are you trying to depict how the standard
- 24 works?
- 25 A. Yes, sir, I am, and -- and how the devices

- 1 work that follow the standard.
- Q. So let's go ahead and roll forward with this.
- 3 All right. We've seen some blue packets?
- 4 A. Yes, sir.
- 5 Q. So those are the information packets that are
- 6 being sent?
- 7 A. That's right.
- 8 Q. And we have a yellow packet after it, which
- 9 is --
- 10 A. That's actually the BlockAck request. So
- 11 that's saying I'd like to get a BlockAck.
- 12 Q. Block acknowledgement is a BlockAck?
- 13 A. Sorry. Block acknowledgement.
- Q. Okay. All right. Then does the terminal
- 15 respond?
- 16 A. Yes, sir, it does.
- 17 Q. And what is the BA?
- 18 A. That's a block acknowledgement.
- 19 Q. That's what we just looked at with all the
- 20 fields that nest within each other from the standard?
- 21 A. Exactly.
- Q. Let's see how that works now. Can we zoom
- 23 into the block acknowledgement?
- Is -- and this is compartments within it?
- 25 A. Yes, sir.

- 1 Q. And have you shown -- are you just showing now
- 2 the compartments that matter to the claims and taking
- 3 out the remainder from the standard to show what's
- 4 important?
- 5 A. That's exactly right.
- Q. What's the first compartment you're showing?
- 7 A. That's that type identifier that we talked
- 8 about which is really two fields in that BA control
- 9 field.
- 10 Q. All right.
- 11 A. So two bits.
- 12 Q. And is there something that that would
- 13 correspond to that's in the standard?
- 14 A. Yes, sir. That particular value says that
- 15 it's a compressed BlockAck or a compressed block
- 16 acknowledgement.
- 17 Q. Okay. We just saw some things pop up on this,
- 18 and I want to make sure everyone knows what they are.
- 19 The type identifier that you pointed to, 01,
- 20 remember before when we were talking about the patent,
- 21 we went and looked that up in a table?
- 22 A. Exactly.
- Q. Now we're talking about how the standard
- 24 works.
- 25 Does that type identifier you found in the

- 1 standard match up to a table in the standard?
- 2 A. It does.
- 3 Q. What's the number of that table?
- A. That table is -- that table is Table 7-6K, and
- 5 that's Page 32 of the 209 stand -- 2009 standard.
- 6 Q. In your example, you have the type identifier
- 7 as 01. What would that match up to in the table?
- 8 A. That matches up to compressed BlockAck or
- 9 compressed block acknowledgement.
- 10 Q. Are there other message types other than
- 11 compressed BlockAck that are allowed by the standard?
- 12 A. Yes, sir, there are two other kinds, plus a
- 13 reserved.
- Q. Okay. And, again, those are identified on
- 15 this chart, right?
- 16 A. Yes, sir, exactly. Those are the choices in
- 17 the system.
- 18 Q. And is this chart on the bottom of your
- 19 animation, is that, again, taken directly -- is that a
- 20 picture from the standard itself?
- 21 A. Yes, sir. It's on Page 32.
- Q. So if the jury later wanted to get Exhibit 286
- 23 and go to this page, they could see this lower half of
- 24 the slide verbatim?
- 25 A. Oh, yes, sir. And on pages close to that,

- 1 they could see the other things we've been looking at.
- 2 Q. Tell me what the other message types are that
- 3 are defined by the standard.
- 4 A. There's a basic block acknowledgement --
- 5 that's another kind of bitmap -- compressed BlockAcks or
- 6 bitmaps. Reserved means sometime in the future we might
- 7 want to use that value; but right now we don't have a
- 8 use for it because standards need to evolve, and so you
- 9 often have reserved things.
- 10 And then the last one is called a Multi-TID
- 11 BlockAck.
- 12 Q. Okay. And what does that do?
- 13 A. It lets you acknowledge more than one TID.
- 14 That's another aspect of the system we'll talk about
- 15 later on. So what it really is, is a list of bitmaps.
- 16 Q. Now, the Court's definition states that
- 17 responsive to the receiving step, generating a message
- 18 field, including a field that identifies the message
- 19 type of the feedback response from a number of different
- 20 messages.
- 21 Are there a number of different messages here
- 22 in the standard?
- 23 A. Yes, sir, absolutely.
- Q. Does the type identifier that you've
- 25 identified, the -- the two numbers identify the type of

- 1 feedback message response from one of the options in the
- 2 standard?
- 3 A. Yes, sir. That's exactly its purpose.
- 4 Q. Is this element met by the Defendants?
- 5 A. Oh, yes, sir, it is.
- Q. We checked off all three elements of Claim 1.
- 7 And what does that allow you to conclude, Dr. Nettles?
- 8 A. That the claim is infringed and, therefore,
- 9 that the patent is infringed.
- 10 Q. Do the Defendants' products send a type
- 11 identifier in every block acknowledgement response?
- 12 A. Yes, sir, they do.
- 13 Q. And do the receivers construct them to respond
- 14 to which packets they've received -- previously
- 15 received?
- 16 A. Yes, sir, they do.
- 17 Q. Now, in addition to looking at the standard,
- 18 did you do anything to double-check your analysis?
- 19 A. Yes, sir, I did.
- Q. What did you do?
- 21 A. Well, I looked at documents. I looked at
- 22 deposition testimony. I looked at the code. And I did
- 23 testing.
- Q. Did you test some representative models of the
- 25 chipsets used by the Defendants to confirm they send a

- 1 type identifier?
- 2 A. Yes, sir, I did.
- Q. And would this type identifier be necessary
- 4 for interoperability with other devices?
- 5 A. Yes, sir, it is.
- 6 Q. Let's go on to Claim 2 now.
- 7 Claim 2 is in a little bit different format.
- 8 Can you explain to us what kind of format it's in?
- 9 A. It's called a dependent claim, so that means
- 10 it depends on a different -- another claim.
- 11 Q. What -- what does it mean to depend on another
- 12 claim, Dr. Nettles?
- 13 A. It means that to show that that claim is
- 14 infringed, we first have to show that the claim that it
- 15 depends from is infringed. In this case, we have to
- 16 show that Claim 1 is infringed, and then we also have to
- 17 show that any additional limitations that have been
- 18 added are met.
- 19 Q. Is one way we can think of Claim 2 requires
- 20 for infringement the -- every element of Claim 1, plus
- 21 whatever is added by Claim 2?
- 22 A. Yes, sir, that's exactly what it means.
- Q. So is it fair that Claim 2 would be narrower
- 24 in scope necessarily than Claim 1?
- 25 A. Yes, sir.

- 1 Q. Let's see what Claim 2 modifies. Again, we
- 2 have to link up, I think, the -- the English here.
- 3 It says: The message type -- excuse me, I'm
- 4 sorry, the message field comprises a bitmap message.
- 5 A. Yes, sir.
- 6 Q. So what -- what is this -- is this saying that
- 7 when we get to this message field over here, that
- 8 before -- in the -- in the main claim could be met by
- 9 one of -- at least one of a sequence number, length
- 10 filed, or content field, any one of these, is that
- 11 narrowing this down for a particular selection?
- 12 A. Yes, sir, it's -- it's basically saying that
- 13 the content field has to include a bitmap.
- Q. And if the content field isn't a bitmap, is
- 15 Claim 2 infringed?
- 16 A. No, sir, it's not.
- 17 Q. So this is basically saying that to perform
- 18 this method, it has to be a bitmap every time, not
- 19 something else?
- 20 A. That's right.
- 21 Q. Do the Defendants' devices that comply with
- 22 the standard use a bitmap as the message type?
- 23 A. Yes, sir, they do.
- Q. And we saw that compressed BlockAck in the
- 25 prior slide. Is that a bitmap?

- 1 A. Yes, sir, it includes a bitmap.
- Q. Do the Defendants use a bitmap every time?
- 3 A. Yes, sir, they do.
- 4 Q. So they -- they select a bitmap consistently
- 5 in their products?
- 6 A. Yes, sir.
- 7 Q. Have you found this element to be met?
- 8 A. I have.
- 9 Q. Do the Defendants infringe Claims 1 and 2 of
- 10 the '215 patent?
- 11 A. They do.
- 12 Q. And are these claims, Dr. Nettles, essential
- 13 to compliance with the 802.11n standard?
- 14 A. They are.
- 15 Q. Anything else to add on this patent, or can we
- 16 move on to the next one?
- 17 A. We can move on.
- 18 Q. The next patent I would like to discuss would
- 19 be the '435 patent.
- 20 A. Yes, sir.
- 21 MR. STEVENSON: Mr. Diaz, would you go
- 22 back one slide?
- Q. (By Mr. Stevenson) And just to remind everyone
- 24 where we are in the order or table of contents, we've
- 25 talked about the '215. We've got two coordination

- 1 patents coming up, '435 and '625, and then two other
- 2 patents. And I -- I may have called these the
- 3 synchronization patents in opening. I call them
- 4 coordination here, and that's just -- that's not a term
- 5 in the claims. That's just my shorthand for it.
- 6 A. Yes, sir.
- 7 Q. All right. Let's go to the '435.
- 8 What is the filing date of this patent?
- 9 A. This was filed on March 18th, 1999.
- 10 Q. And what date did it issue?
- 11 A. December 11th, 2001.
- 12 Q. And we have the Examiners there. Who were
- 13 those?
- 14 A. William Trost and Congvan Tran.
- 15 Q. So those are the people who work at the Patent
- 16 Office as Examiners who reviewed these patents?
- 17 A. Yes, sir, that's exactly what it is.
- 18 Q. I think we have different Examiners on each
- 19 one?
- 20 A. We do.
- Q. What does this patent -- excuse me, what does
- 22 this patent deal with?
- 23 A. We talked earlier about the idea that
- 24 sometimes the transmitter needs to discard a packet.
- 25 And when the transmitter does that, it has to

- 1 inform the receiver of that so that they can stay in
- 2 sync. And this patent involves what the receiver does
- 3 to stay in sync with the transmitter.
- 4 Q. Okay. Let me go back to our example and
- 5 hopefully it will be helpful and we can see where in the
- 6 flow of packets this one fits in.
- Now, we talked before about the message going
- 8 back from the terminal to the base station. The patent
- 9 just talked about saying here are the packets I didn't
- 10 get?
- 11 A. That's right.
- 12 Q. Now, where does this patent pick up in that
- 13 sequence of actions?
- 14 A. When the transmitter gets that block
- 15 acknowledgement that says that some of the packets were
- 16 missing, it has a choice. It can either retransmit
- 17 those packets or it can decide to drop those packets.
- But if it decides to drop the packets, the
- 19 receiver is still waiting -- I mean, it told it -- the
- 20 receiver told the transmitter, I haven't gotten this
- 21 packet, so the receiver is waiting for that packet. So
- 22 the transmitter needs to tell the receiver that it's not
- 23 going to send that packet, and the receiver needs to
- 24 forget about that packet.
- 25 Q. Why would the transmitter ever want to not try

- 1 to retransmit a lost packet?
- 2 A. Well, we talked about this specific example of
- 3 a movie or a phone call.
- 4 Sometimes it's better to just drop information
- 5 and not re-transmit it and avoid creating a pause than
- 6 it is to try to re-transmit it over and over again and
- 7 make a disruptive pause.
- 8 Q. And in these ARQ type systems, who decides
- 9 when they're going to stop trying to retransmit lost
- 10 packets?
- 11 A. The transmitter is going to make that
- 12 decision.
- 13 Q. Now, does the transmitter need to stay
- 14 coordinated or in sync with the receiver when it's
- 15 making these decisions about not retransmitting lost
- 16 packets?
- 17 A. Yes, sir, it does.
- 18 Q. What does the Ericsson invention teach that
- 19 the receiver has to do?
- 20 A. Well, the receiver is going to have to -- so
- 21 the transmitter's going to have to send some information
- 22 to the receiver, and then the receiver's going to have
- 23 to compute which packets are no longer going to be
- 24 retransmitted. And then it has to release its
- 25 expectations of ever receiving those packets. Basically

- 1 it has to forget about those packets.
- Q. Okay. And then does it have it to keep some
- 3 sort of record of this?
- 4 A. Well, yes, sir. So all the time it's keeping
- 5 a record of which packets it expects, and then it has to
- 6 update that record.
- 7 Q. Let's go through the claim on the foam board,
- 8 and I think talk about it. I think the first couple
- 9 will be quick, and then we have to dig into the details
- 10 of the next few.
- 11 Is this another method claim?
- 12 A. Yes, sir, it is.
- Q. And who performs, if you found this method?
- 14 A. The Defendants perform this method.
- Q. And how do they perform the method?
- 16 A. Well, they program their systems to
- 17 automatically perform this method without any user
- 18 intervention.
- 19 Q. And in addition, do the Defendants, for the
- 20 reasons you mentioned before, induce end users to do
- 21 this, as well?
- 22 A. Oh, yes, sir.
- Q. This is a method that's complementary to the
- 24 selective repeat, automatic repeat request protocol.
- 25 And I know the preamble we don't have to check

- 1 off, but just so people don't get confused or lost in
- 2 this and wonder what's going on, can you explain what
- 3 that lead-in generally means?
- 4 A. Well, it's -- yeah, could -- could you turn
- 5 it? I --
- 6 Q. I'm sorry.
- 7 A. I don't have a -- I haven't memorized the
- 8 exact language.
- 9 So this is explaining that -- this is a method
- 10 that involves the discarding of these packets, as we've
- 11 been talking about, and the transmitter and receiver
- 12 have to coordinate. And --
- 13 Q. It says it's complementary. What does that
- 14 mean?
- 15 A. Well, that -- I think what it really means
- 16 is -- is this is -- this is an additional way an ARQ
- 17 protocol can work.
- 18 Q. Okay. And -- and Ericsson isn't claiming in
- 19 this case they invented the block acknowledgement?
- 20 A. Oh, no, sir.
- Q. Or the ARQ protocol?
- 22 A. Oh, no, sir.
- 23 Q. Rather, these are specific enhancements and
- 24 improvements to those particular things that have been
- 25 around?

- 1 A. Oh, yes, sir.
- 2 Q. The first element is transmitting a data
- 3 packet discard notification message from the transmitter
- 4 to the receiver, indicating data packets the transmitter
- 5 has discarded.
- 6 And then the next step is receiving the data
- 7 packet discard notification message?
- 8 A. Yes, sir.
- 9 Q. Tell us how that -- those two steps are met by
- 10 the Defendants?
- 11 A. The transmitting step is met when the
- 12 transmitter sends a block acknowledgement request,
- 13 either an implicit one or an explicit one. And the
- 14 receiving step is met when the receiver receives that
- 15 block acknowledgement request.
- 16 Q. And, again, how many types of block
- 17 acknowledgement requests are there?
- 18 A. There are two.
- 19 Q. And what are the two types of block
- 20 acknowledgement requests?
- 21 A. Explicit and implicit.
- 22 Q. Now, did -- where did you get -- get the word
- 23 implicit from?
- 24 A. It's in the standard.
- Q. And can we show the -- the slide in the

- 1 standard just so we could verify where you got that
- 2 terminology?
- 3 A. Yes, sir. I think there's a slide that shows
- 4 Page 136.
- 5 MR. STEVENSON: Can you go to the next
- 6 one, Mr. Diaz? Well, let's just -- we'll just move on
- 7 up. Maybe we could look at the standard. Can you pull
- 8 up 9.10.7.5 from the standard, which is PX 286?
- 9 A. And go to Page 136.
- 10 MR. STEVENSON: Okay. There we go. Can
- 11 you zoom in on that, Mr. Diaz?
- 12 Q. (By Mr. Stevenson) And I just want to show
- 13 where it is -- where it calls this an implicit BlockAck
- 14 request.
- 15 A. So if we look at the second line of the second
- 16 paragraph.
- 17 MR. STEVENSON: I think you were there,
- 18 Mr. Diaz. Second paragraph.
- 19 THE WITNESS: Blow up the second
- 20 paragraph.
- 21 A. Now, if we look at the second line, we see it
- 22 says: i.e., implicit BlockAck request or implicit block
- 23 acknowledgement request.
- MR. STEVENSON: There we go. We found
- 25 it.

- 1 Q. (By Mr. Stevenson) All right. What's the
- 2 difference between an implicit and an explicit block
- 3 acknowledgement request?
- 4 A. Could I -- could I give an example?
- 5 Q. Sure.
- 6 A. Suppose you're going to invite somebody to a
- 7 party, so you send the party invitation; but you want to
- 8 know whether or not they're going to attend the party.
- 9 There's two ways that you could go about finding that
- 10 out.
- 11 A few days after you send a party invitation,
- 12 you could send them another piece of mail or you could
- 13 call them on the phone and you could say, are you coming
- 14 to the party? Let me know. That would be an explicit
- 15 request, so that would be an explicit acknowledgement
- 16 request for a party.
- 17 But the other way -- and probably the way you
- 18 would do it first -- is you'd write RSVP on the
- 19 invitation and then the person who got the invitation
- 20 would know that they should send back an answer to tell
- 21 you whether or not they're coming or not. So that would
- 22 be an implicit request because it's part of the actual
- 23 invitation, not a completely separate request.
- Q. Does each of those two types of requests meet
- 25 the claim elements?

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1 A. Yes, sir, they do.
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- Q. Does the system have to have both to infringe
- 3 or just one, in your view?
- 4 A. Just one.
- 5 THE COURT: All right. Mr. Stevenson, if
- 6 you're at a breaking place, I believe we'll take our
- 7 morning break at this time, and we will be on break
- 8 until 10:15.
- 9 Be in recess.
- 10 COURT SECURITY OFFICER: All rise.
- 11 (Jury out.)
- 12 (Recess.)
- 13 COURT SECURITY OFFICER: All rise for the
- 14 jury.
- 15 (Jury in.)
- THE COURT: Please be seated.
- 17 All right. You may proceed,
- 18 Mr. Stevenson.
- 19 Q. (By Mr. Stevenson) All right. We were talking
- 20 about the implicit and explicit block acknowledgement
- 21 requests when we left; and just to pick back up, the
- 22 block acknowledgement request is the transmitter of
- 23 packets asking the receiver, what did you get and not
- 24 get. Right?
- 25 A. That's right.

- 1 Q. And we have two kinds of implicit and
- 2 explicit, the RSVP and the regular?
- 3 A. That's correct.
- Q. So let me ask about each one separately. And,
- 5 again, does each one independently potentially infringe
- 6 the claims?
- 7 A. Yes, sir, that's correct.
- 8 Q. Okay. So let me ask about each one
- 9 separately, and we'll just go through them separately
- 10 and discuss them as we go along.
- 11 How does the explicit block acknowledgement
- 12 request indicate data packets the transmitter has
- 13 discarded?
- 14 A. It's going to contain a sequence number, so a
- 15 number that indicates someplace in the sequence of
- 16 packets that we've been sending, and it's going to
- 17 indicate that any packets below that sequence number are
- 18 no longer being processed by the transmitter.
- 19 Q. And now let me ask the same question as to the
- 20 implicit block acknowledgement request.
- 21 A. It's also going to contain sequence numbers,
- 22 packets; and based on the sequence numbers in the
- 23 packets in the implicit block acknowledgement request,
- 24 the receiver is going to be able to compute which
- 25 packets the transmitter is no longer going to transmit.

- 1 Q. And we're going to talk a little more in
- 2 detail in the next patent about these implicit and
- 3 explicit block acknowledgements, but could you just give
- 4 us an idea of when this implicit one is used?
- 5 A. Well, the implicit one is part of something
- 6 called an A-MPDU.
- 7 Q. Okay. And just say that out for us so we're
- 8 not all wondering.
- 9 A. Yes, sir. Well, that stands for aggregated
- 10 MPDU. MPDU is the, I guess, unfortunate name that the
- 11 standard gives to the packets that we've been talking
- 12 about. And the A part means aggregated. So what that
- 13 means is, really, we're going to send a bunch of packets
- 14 as a group rather than one at a time.
- 15 Q. Okay. We're going to have a bunch of acronyms
- 16 as we go along. Let me get you to say them out, and
- 17 then let's just give an explanation for it that we can
- 18 all understand, a shorthand for it.
- 19 We have an A-MPDU we're going to talk about,
- 20 right?
- 21 A. Yes, sir.
- Q. And that's an aggregated MPDU.
- 23 A. Yes.
- Q. The A is. Now, what's the MPDU part stand
- 25 for?

- 1 A. Well, that stands for MAC protocol data unit,
- 2 and that's the kind of packets that the MAC, which is
- 3 what we're talking about, sends and receives.
- 4 Q. MAC protocol data unit. Okay. And that's a
- 5 packet.
- 6 A. That's right.
- 7 Q. And what does MAC mean?
- 8 A. That means media access control.
- 9 Q. And that's another --
- 10 A. Yes, sir.
- 11 Q. What is a media access control?
- 12 A. The -- in these systems, you have to have some
- 13 system for figuring who gets to talk when, who controls
- 14 the floor, basically. And so that's media access, who
- 15 gets to access the media. That's the radio waves.
- 16 Q. Is this --
- 17 A. And that's what the MAC does.
- 18 Q. Is this media access control, is this inside
- 19 of each computer and router on the network?
- 20 A. Yes, sir. It's -- it's part of the 802.11
- 21 standard and its implementations.
- ${\tt Q.}$ Is this how they decide who gets to talk when,
- 23 so they don't talk over each other?
- A. That's exactly what's it for.
- Q. Okay. So now, having done all that, so nobody

- 1 is wondering what do these mean, can we just say that as
- 2 a shorthand subject -- if we ever need to refine it more
- 3 later, let's refine it, but just as a shorthand, so it's
- 4 understandable, an implicit block acknowledgement gets
- 5 sent out with a group of packets?
- 6 A. Yes, sir. That is completely correct.
- 7 Q. And then let's go back to the claim elements.
- 8 The first step is: Transmitting a data packet
- 9 discard notification message from the transmitter to the
- 10 receiver indicating data packets the transmitter has
- 11 discarded.
- 12 A. That's right.
- 13 Q. Is that either the implicit or the explicit
- 14 block acknowledgement request?
- 15 A. Yes, sir, it is.
- 16 Q. And then would you expect those to be received
- 17 by the packet -- received by the receiver?
- 18 A. Yes, sir, barring some error.
- 19 Q. So let's talk about the next two elements, and
- 20 let's talk about those together.
- 21 The next element -- and this is, again, Claim
- 22 1 of the '435 patent -- is: The computing which data
- 23 packets have been discarded by the transmitter based on
- 24 the data packet discard notification message and then
- 25 removing entries from a first list indicating the data

- 1 packets expected to be received from the transmitter
- 2 wherein the entries correspond to data packets
- 3 identified in the computing step.
- 4 A. Yes, sir.
- 5 Q. Okay. I want -- that's a lot. I'd like to
- 6 back up and talk about those in a little bit more
- 7 explanatory detail.
- 8 Can you tell us generally what -- how this is
- 9 done in the standard?
- 10 A. The standard defines something called a
- 11 window, and the window involves which packets it's
- 12 expecting to receive. And one of the manifestations of
- 13 the window is in something called the scoreboard, and
- 14 the scoreboard has a way of keeping track of actually a
- 15 number of different windows all together.
- 16 Q. Okay. That's a lot of information. Let's see
- 17 if we can --
- 18 A. I'm sorry.
- 19 Q. Oh, I know, and it's my job to try to unpack
- 20 it.
- 21 Let's do this. Can we show in the standard
- 22 the evidence that you relied on? And then what I want
- 23 to do is, after showing all that, let's go back and look
- 24 at an animation that you've put together so we can
- 25 understand it a little more visually.

- 1 A. Yes, sir, we can do that.
- Q. First, let's just get this out on the table,
- 3 as far as the information goes.
- 4 The defense counsel said in opening that
- 5 802.11 -- 802.11n doesn't have to compute discard
- 6 packets. I don't know if you remember that --
- 7 A. Yes, sir. I --
- 8 Q. -- in the transcript.
- 9 A. I saw that in the transcript, yes, sir.
- 10 Q. Is that correct?
- 11 A. No, sir, it's not.
- 12 Q. Is there a computation in the standard?
- 13 A. Yes, sir.
- Q. Can we see that computation in the standard?
- 15 A. Yes, sir, we can.
- MR. STEVENSON: Will you pull up the
- 17 standard, Mr. Diaz?
- 18 Q. (By Mr. Stevenson) Where should we go to?
- 19 A. We should go to 9.10.7.3, which is on
- 20 Page 30 -- Page 134.
- 21 Q. Okay.
- 22 A. And if we look at Section B. So Section B is
- 23 talking about when you get the implicit block
- 24 acknowledgement.
- Q. Okay. Is that the computation you were

- 1 referring to that needs to be undertaken?
- 2 A. Yes, sir.
- 3 And then Section -- if we scroll down a little
- 4 bit, Section C --
- 5 THE WITNESS: Yes, sir, on the right-hand
- 6 page, Section C.
- 7 A. -- that's talking about the explicit block
- 8 acknowledgement request.
- 9 Q. (By Mr. Stevenson) Is this the computation
- 10 you're also referring to?
- 11 A. Yes, sir, it is.
- 12 Q. And these -- I think we're going to need your
- 13 help, obviously, in understanding it; but how do these
- 14 computations, which are in the standard, get imported
- 15 into the accused devices in these cases?
- 16 A. Well, the Defendants and their suppliers
- 17 implement these computations as part of their building
- 18 of the systems. So these scoreboards, for example, are
- 19 part of the implementations that we've looked at.
- 20 Q. So when you say part of the implementations,
- 21 is that essentially meaning the persons and engineers
- 22 who built the devices program into these devices this --
- 23 A. Yes, sir.
- Q. -- these computational steps we're seeing
- 25 here?

- 1 A. Yes, sir. And the reason that these steps are
- 2 in such detail and sort of look like mathematics is,
- 3 this is what we might call pseudocode. So this is just
- 4 one step above the actual code. A programmer would read
- 5 this and then would write, you know, probably several
- 6 pages of code to do exactly the things that are
- 7 described here.
- 8 Q. You also mentioned a scoreboard. Is that in
- 9 the standard?
- 10 A. Yes, sir, it is.
- 11 Q. Where is that?
- 12 A. Well, actually, the section we're looking at,
- 13 9.10.7.3, it's all about the scoreboard.
- 14 MR. STEVENSON: Now let's zoom in on that
- 15 first paragraph.
- 16 Q. (By Mr. Stevenson) And it says: Scoreboard
- 17 context control during full-state operation.
- 18 A. Yes, sir.
- 19 Q. And please tell us, just at a real easy level,
- 20 what a scoreboard is?
- 21 A. A scoreboard is really just a way to -- in
- 22 this case, to keep track of a lot of complicated
- 23 information about different possible flows of packets
- 24 and which things have been received and which things
- 25 haven't been received, just like a scoreboard in your

- 1 normal life presents a bunch of data about what is going
- 2 on at a sporting event.
- 3 Q. Is the receiver keeping the scoreboard?
- 4 A. Yes, sir, it is.
- 5 Q. And, again, I'll keep mentioning this just to
- 6 make sure we remember, all the devices on the network
- 7 both transmit and receive.
- 8 A. Oh, yes, sir.
- 9 Q. So some day -- at one moment, the router may
- 10 be the transmitter, and then the next moment, it may be
- 11 the receiver as well.
- 12 A. Yes, sir. In fact, usually, they swap roles
- 13 back and forth.
- 14 Q. Okay. So do all devices keep this scoreboard?
- 15 A. They keep their own each individual
- 16 scoreboard, yes, sir.
- 17 Q. And do the scoreboards need to stay
- 18 synchronized or coordinated somehow?
- 19 A. Well, the scoreboard and the receiver needs to
- 20 be kept synchronized with what the transmitter is doing?
- 21 Q. Right. Better way to phrase my question, yes.
- 22 All right. So we've seen all this, and maybe
- 23 one way you could explain it to us so we can understand
- 24 it, without walking through the pseudocode, is to do
- 25 another animation. Have you prepared one?

- 1 A. Yes, sir. I think that would be helpful.
- Q. So what are we seeing here? Tell us -- zoom
- 3 us in to what part of the network we're in right now and
- 4 what we're looking at, please.
- 5 A. Well, suppose that terminal 4 is the receiver.
- 6 We're looking at what's going in -- on inside of the
- 7 receiver. You might describe it as the brain of the
- 8 receiver.
- 9 Q. So is this a -- now, in the real world,
- 10 there's not a blue and white board that says scoreboard
- 11 with noes on it. This is all in computation logic,
- 12 right?
- 13 A. Yes, sir. It's either going to be computer
- 14 code and data that the computer code acts on; or in the
- 15 case of the scoreboard, it might actually be electronic
- 16 circuits that implement the scoreboard. Both of those
- 17 are possible.
- 18 Q. But the transistors and bits and all that
- 19 going on, is this at least a fair way to explain how the
- 20 algorithm in the standard works?
- 21 A. Yes, sir, it is.
- Q. Okay. What is the line of boxes that goes
- 23 from left to right that's numbered 1 through 14?
- 24 A. Those are the places that we're going to store
- 25 the packets as they come in. Remember, packets have

- 1 sequence numbers, and so we're going to store a packet
- 2 with sequence number 1 in 1 and 2 in 2, et cetera.
- 3 Q. Can we show that?
- 4 A. Yes, sir, we can.
- Q. And before we start, you put on there a dotted
- 6 green box. What does that represent?
- 7 A. Well, I mentioned earlier that there was an
- 8 idea of a window. So the window keeps track of, in the
- 9 receiver, what packets it's currently expecting to
- 10 receive. And so we see right now that the receiver's
- 11 expecting to receive packets 1 through 6.
- 12 Q. Okay. Now, beneath it is our scoreboard?
- 13 A. Yes, sir.
- 14 Q. And explain what is shown on the scoreboard.
- 15 A. Well, the scoreboard is keeping track of which
- 16 packets have actually been received and which packets
- 17 haven't; and right now, we haven't received any packets,
- 18 and so it says, no, for all of those packets.
- 19 Q. Now, can we put this into action and then see
- 20 how packets show up and what happens to them?
- 21 A. We can.
- Q. All right.
- MR. STEVENSON: Let's start that.
- 24 Can you rewind that? That may have gone
- 25 on a little bit fast. Carefully.

- 1 Q. (By Mr. Stevenson) We saw a blue box come in
- 2 from the left and drop into 1 and X. What does that
- 3 indicate?
- 4 A. Well, that indicates that that packet was
- 5 actually lost for some reason and didn't actually
- 6 arrive.
- 7 Q. So let's -- let's make sure we all understand
- 8 what we're seeing with reference to this.
- 9 One of these packets is coming into the
- 10 terminal; and before it got there, it got lost.
- 11 A. Yes, sir. Probably because it was interfered
- 12 with somehow.
- Q. Microwave?
- 14 A. Microwave oven would be a good example.
- Q. So what you've shown is X, an "X" there,
- 16 because there was a slot in the terminal waiting to get
- 17 the packet, never showed up?
- 18 A. That's right.
- 19 Q. Okay. Maybe better luck with the next one.
- 20 What happens, let's say, with the next one here?
- 21 A. So we see the 2 come in and it's actually
- 22 received, so it goes into the slot. And we also see
- 23 that the scoreboard now says, yes, to indicate it was
- 24 received.
- Q. And is the terminal doing computations to

- 1 update this scoreboard for the yeses that we're seeing
- 2 here?
- 3 A. Oh, yes, sir.
- 4 Q. Okay. Let's show -- let's show what happens
- 5 next.
- 6 A. So 3 is received. Again, it's updated in the
- 7 scoreboard.
- 8 Q. Okay. What happens next?
- 9 A. 4 comes in. It's received. Again, it's
- 10 updated in the scoreboard.
- 11 O. Next slide.
- 12 A. 5 -- 5 is lost, also.
- Q. Another microwave zap?
- 14 A. And then 6. It's received. So the scoreboard
- 15 now indicates that the same information that we see in
- 16 the -- in the actual buffers there, that 1 and 5 were
- 17 not received.
- 18 Q. All right. So now our window is all taken
- 19 into account. We have 2 missing packets?
- 20 A. That's right.
- Q. Out of 6 possible packets?
- 22 A. That's right.
- Q. What happens next?
- A. Well, next we see an explicit block
- 25 acknowledgement is going to come, and the first thing

- 1 that's going to happen --
- Q. Okay. Let's back up a little bit.
- 3 MR. STEVENSON: Can we back up that --
- 4 that movement?
- 5 Q. (By Mr. Stevenson) So you said an explicit
- 6 block acknowledgement comes.
- 7 A. Yes, sir. I think actually in this animation
- 8 it's -- it's any kind of block acknowledgement.
- 9 Q. Okay. So it could be an explicit or an
- 10 implicit?
- 11 A. Yes, sir.
- 12 Q. Okay. And that would be sent by the base
- 13 station in this example, if that's who is transmitting?
- 14 A. That's right.
- 15 Q. And that would be sent down to the terminal.
- 16 Is that the -- the block acknowledgement request --
- 17 excuse me, I may be confused. Is this the block
- 18 acknowledgement request we're talking about?
- 19 A. Yes, sir.
- 20 Q. Okay. So that comes from the base station
- 21 down to the terminal, and it's indicating or it's asking
- 22 which packets didn't you get; is that right?
- 23 A. That's right.
- Q. Okay. What does that do, that request to the
- 25 window?

- 1 A. Well, that request is going to -- to shift the
- 2 window. That's -- that's part of what it does.
- 3 O. Why does the request shift the window?
- 4 A. Well, because either the request is additional
- 5 packets arriving in the case of the implicit one and so
- 6 it shifts the window, or an explicit BlockAck request,
- 7 that's -- that's part of its role is to -- is to shift
- 8 the window.
- 9 Q. Is that all defined and -- and required to be
- 10 computed according to the standard?
- 11 A. Yes, sir.
- 12 Q. Is that all in the map we saw in the standard
- 13 a minute ago?
- 14 A. Yes, sir, it is.
- 15 Q. Now, the window has moved over.
- 16 A. That's right.
- 17 Q. What happens next?
- 18 A. Well, the next thing that happens is the next
- 19 step of the claim, we have to update the scoreboard to
- 20 indicate that we are no longer waiting on 1 and 5.
- Q. Well, before we leave this step of the claim,
- 22 is the step of computing which data packets have been
- 23 discarded by the transmitter, based on the data packet
- 24 discard notification message, is that met in what you've
- 25 seen in the standard and Defendants' products?

- 1 A. Yes, it is.
- Q. And the computation, is that according to the
- 3 rules that are set forth mathematically in that section
- 4 of the standard you showed us?
- 5 A. Yes, sir, it is.
- 6 Q. And is that a computation?
- 7 A. Oh, yes, sir. I mean, computers have to
- 8 always compute things.
- 9 Q. Thank you.
- Now, let's go to the next element.
- 11 A. Okay.
- 12 Q. Removing entries from a first list indicating
- 13 data packets expected to be received from the
- 14 transmitter wherein the entries correspond to data
- 15 packets identified in the computing step.
- 16 A. Yes, sir.
- 17 Q. How does that happen?
- 18 A. Well, we can -- if we re-run the animation, we
- 19 can -- we can see it happening.
- 20 Q. Okay.
- MR. STEVENSON: Back that up. We may not
- 22 have all seen it, Mr. Diaz.
- 23 A. So --
- Q. (By Mr. Stevenson) Tell us what we're looking
- 25 for, and then show us.

- 1 A. So right now we see the scoreboard. That's
- 2 the list that's keeping track of the packets that we
- 3 expect with the noes. The noes are the ones that we're
- 4 still expecting. And now we're going to -- based on how
- 5 we move the window, we're going to change the scoreboard
- 6 to be expecting the next setup of packets. And in the
- 7 process, we're no longer expecting any of the packets --
- 8 you know, we're not expecting 1 and 5, and so that's
- 9 what the next step is about.
- 10 Q. Okay. And in the animation we showed
- 11 something flying into a garbage. Obviously, there
- 12 aren't little garbage cans inside the computers. Is
- 13 this all implemented in the processing of the computers
- 14 that are within the accused devices?
- 15 A. Yes, sir. And actually the storage involved
- 16 will be recycled. So they're -- there's recycling, if
- 17 not garbage cans.
- 18 Q. And have you verified this operation by
- 19 looking at the source code for the domestic chip
- 20 manufacturers?
- 21 A. Yes, sir.
- Q. Have you found this element to be met?
- A. Yes, sir, I have.
- Q. Let's go on to Dependent Claim No. 2.
- 25 A. Yes, sir.

- Q. And, again, is looking at this dependent
- 2 claim -- we do it the same way we looked at the prior
- 3 one, which is to see if everything in 1 is met and then
- 4 add 2 to 1?
- 5 A. That's exactly how it works.
- 6 Q. 2 requires that we add in, that the data
- 7 packet discharge notification message contains a field
- 8 indicating the format of the message?
- 9 A. Yes, sir, that's correct.
- 10 Q. Does -- is there a data packet -- is there an
- 11 indication of the format of the message in the data
- 12 packet discard notification?
- 13 A. Yes, sir, there is.
- 14 Q. All right. Can you show that on your slides?
- 15 A. Yes, sir. It comes actually from the 2007
- 16 standard, I believe.
- 17 Q. All right. Is this PX 283?
- 18 A. Yes, sir, it is. You can't see the date, but
- 19 this is the -- this is the 2007 standard that the 2009
- 20 standard builds upon.
- Q. Okay. And, again, is this a -- this isn't
- 22 something you created. Is this verbatim direct out of
- 23 the standard?
- A. Exactly.
- Q. If the jury wanted to see PX 283, go to

- 1 7.1.3.1. If you open that docket, you'll see exactly
- 2 this?
- 3 A. Exactly that, yes.
- 4 Q. Tell us how what has been highlighted here
- 5 corresponds to the final claim element.
- A. Well, this says it's the frame control field.
- 7 Frames are another word that we use in this standard to
- 8 talk about packets. And the frame control field has a
- 9 type field and a subtype field, and that's going to
- 10 describe, as a code, what kind of packet it is; and what
- 11 kind of packet it is includes its format.
- 12 And so the type and the subtype field are
- 13 going to describe the format of the message. And both
- 14 the explicit and the implicit block acknowledgement
- 15 requests are going to have these type and subtype
- 16 fields. This is a very basic picture of what the
- 17 packets look like.
- 18 Q. Are those two fields, the type and subtype,
- 19 required for interoperability between the Defendants'
- 20 products?
- 21 A. Oh, yes, sir. I mean, these are -- the system
- 22 would fail terribly without those fields.
- Q. Is this element met?
- 24 A. Yes, sir.
- 25 Q. Are these claims essential to compliance with

- 1 the 802.11n standard?
- 2 A. Yes, sir, they are.
- 3 Q. And do you find Claims 1 and 2 of the '435
- 4 patent infringed by Defendants?
- 5 A. Yes, sir, I do.
- 6 Q. Is there anything more to discuss on this that
- 7 we've left out, Dr. Nettles?
- 8 A. I don't -- no, sir, not that I can think of.
- 9 Q. Move on to the next one.
- I believe the '625 patent that we'll be
- 11 talking about next is in Tab 3 --
- 12 A. Yes, sir.
- 13 Q. -- of the jury notebook.
- 14 Tell us the date of filing of the '625 patent,
- 15 please.
- 16 A. October 28th, 1998.
- 17 Q. And when did it issue?
- 18 A. July 23rd, 2002.
- 19 Q. And the Examiner was?
- A. Kwang Yao.
- Q. Can you tell us how this patent relates to the
- 22 prior patent we talked about?
- 23 A. Yes, sir. The prior patent talked about -- it
- 24 focused on what the receiver did when there was this
- 25 packet discarding and when there was this packet discard

- 1 message.
- 2 In this patent, we're talking about what the
- 3 transmitter does and how it commands the receiver to
- 4 take certain steps.
- 5 Q. Okay. Do the transmitter and receiver have to
- 6 follow the same set of rules in order to stay in
- 7 coordination?
- 8 A. Yes, sir. They're -- they're a matched pair.
- 9 Q. And is there any place in the patent that you
- 10 can point us to that describes visually how some of
- 11 these rules work?
- 12 A. Yes, sir, there is.
- 13 Q. Where -- where can we look?
- 14 A. If we look in the figure part of the patent
- 15 and we look at Figure 10B.
- 16 Q. Okay. So that's, I believe, sheet 9 of 12 at
- 17 Tab 3 of the jury notebook.
- 18 A. Yes, sir.
- 19 Q. A lot to take in, Dr. Nettles. Let's start
- 20 with what these boxes are.
- 21 A. Those boxes are another picture of the
- 22 packets. In this case, they're in the transmitter. And
- 23 this is where the transmitter is getting ready to send
- 24 this group of packets.
- Q. The boxes that say PL+ Comp. Header and SN,

- 1 those would be these blue packets that are being
- 2 transmitted over the air?
- 3 A. Yes, sir, exactly.
- 4 Q. Okay. So we see engineers draw these a little
- 5 bit differently, just depending on how much detail we
- 6 need?
- 7 A. That's right.
- 8 Q. What are the empty dotted boxes on the left
- 9 and the right of those?
- 10 A. Well, at the left-hand side, the dotted boxes
- 11 are cells. That's another name for packets. I know we
- 12 have lots of names for packets. Those are cells that
- 13 have actually been discarded. And on the right-hand
- 14 side, the dotted boxes or cells, that haven't been given
- 15 to the transmitter to transmit yet.
- 16 Q. So how does this relate back to that window
- 17 you showed us with the green dotted box?
- 18 A. The -- the various horizontal lines with
- 19 double arrows, those are kinds of windows. And in
- 20 particular, I think the most important window here is
- 21 the top one that says =W.
- 22 Q. All right. So these windows -- you -- you
- 23 simplified them for us in the animation, but in the
- 24 patents, there's a more complicated depiction of
- 25 windows.

- 1 A. Yes, sir. There's typically a number of
- 2 different windows, and they indicate different --
- 3 different things.
- 4 So the labels here say something about what
- 5 the windows -- these particular spaces in this buffer
- 6 mean.
- 7 Q. Why do we need all this detail?
- 8 A. Well, remember the goal of the patent
- 9 specification is actually to teach someone who -- who
- 10 knows how to build these kinds of networking systems to
- 11 actually build the invention. And these are very
- 12 complicated systems, and they need to be very detailed.
- 13 Otherwise, the system might break. I think we've heard
- 14 deadlock referred to. Getting all the details right are
- 15 part of how you avoid deadlock.
- 16 Q. Let's turn now to the claim. This is Claim 1
- 17 of the '625.
- 18 A. Yes, sir.
- 19 Q. I believe that's on the next to the last page
- 20 of the patent.
- 21 A. Yes, sir.
- Q. It's actually in Column 10.
- Is this another method claim?
- 24 A. Yes, sir, it is.
- 25 Q. And what is the method that's being claimed?

- 1 A. It's a method for discarding packets in a data
- 2 network. And then it goes on to explain that it's a
- 3 packet transfer protocol. It includes an automatic
- 4 repeat request scheme. That's ARQ scheme, and then it
- 5 says what the steps are.
- 6 Q. Let's go through these steps. And maybe the
- 7 best thing we can do is read these all the way through
- 8 just so we know what we're going to be looking for, and
- 9 then I may ask you a bunch of questions about how to
- 10 understand them.
- 11 A. Okay.
- 12 Q. The first one is a transmitter in the data
- 13 network commanding receiver in the data network to (a)
- 14 receive at least one packet having a sequence number
- 15 that is not consecutive with the sequence number of a
- 16 previously received packet. And (b) release any
- 17 expectation of receiving outstanding packets having
- 18 sequence numbers prior to the at least one packet.
- 19 A. Yes, sir.
- 20 Q. Then the next one is the transmitter
- 21 discarding all packets for which acknowledgement has not
- 22 been received, and which have sequence numbers prior to
- 23 the at least one packet.
- 24 A. Yes, sir.
- 25 Q. Which of the Defendants' devices practice this

- 1 method?
- 2 A. All of them.
- 3 Q. And, again, are the Defendants responsible for
- 4 performance of the method?
- 5 A. Yes, sir, they program their devices to do
- 6 these steps without human intervention.
- 7 Q. And do end users of the devices also perform
- 8 these steps of the method?
- 9 A. Yes, sir. And they're induced by the
- 10 Defendants, as we discussed before.
- 11 Q. So let's talk about now the elements.
- 12 What have you found to be the first command we
- 13 talk about here?
- 14 A. The first command is when you send a packet
- 15 which is not consecutive with a subsequent packet.
- 16 Q. Is that, again, the transmitter sending the
- 17 packet?
- 18 A. Yes, sir, the transmitter is sending the
- 19 packet.
- 20 Q. Do all accused devices have transmitters and
- 21 capable of transmitting?
- 22 A. Yes, sir, they are.
- 23 Q. So we have a command -- or two things,
- 24 receiving at least one packet out of sequence, and then
- 25 (b) releasing expectation?

- 1 A. Yes, sir.
- Q. Okay. Let's talk about those separately.
- 3 A. Okay.
- 4 Q. What have you found satisfies the receive at
- 5 least one packet having a sequence number that is not
- 6 consecutive with the sequence number of a previously
- 7 received packet limitation?
- 8 A. That's met when you send an MPDU or an A-MPDU
- 9 which is not consecutive with a previously delivered
- 10 packet.
- 11 Q. Okay. And what makes that a command?
- 12 A. Well, the system doesn't have any choice about
- 13 whether or not to accept that packet or not. It's --
- 14 it's required to do that, and that's what makes it a
- 15 command.
- 16 Q. Okay. Can you tell us where that is in the
- 17 standard?
- 18 A. Yes, sir. If we look at the 2009 standard --
- 19 I'm sorry, I don't know the Exhibit Number for that.
- 20 Q. I believe it's 286 -- PX 286.
- 21 A. If we look at Page 137, and if we look at
- 22 Section 9.10.7.6.1 at the top, it actually has a
- 23 discussion of 9.10.7.6.2 and 9.10.7.6.3, and 9.10.7.6.2,
- 24 which is just below, is where we would find the commands
- 25 to receive. And then part of the command -- part of the

- 1 next -- the next element -- the next subpart in B is
- 2 going to be in 10.6.2 and part of it's going to be in
- 3 7.6.3, which is, again, below.
- Q. Okay. That was a lot. Maybe what might be
- 5 helpful -- and it's obviously -- we've got to get
- 6 through this and explain it.
- 7 Maybe we could look at this and get a
- 8 character or flavor for what kind of information we're
- 9 seeing and then let the jury see how it's written and
- 10 then we may have to, I think, go into an animation to
- 11 explain this in a little more understandable format.
- 12 MR. STEVENSON: Mr. Diaz, can you go to
- 13 one-page mode, please, and just take a look at that?
- 14 Can you go back -- I think we were --
- 15 maybe go to a single page so we can see a little bit.
- 16 A. And do you want to look at 6.2?
- 17 Q. (By Mr. Stevenson) Yes, let's scroll down and
- 18 see what we're looking at. I mean, these are
- 19 essentially detailed rules for conduct of the system,
- 20 right?
- 21 A. Exactly.
- 22 Q. Okay.
- MR. STEVENSON: Can we go to 6.2 and zoom
- 24 in on that? And then let's go to the next page and take
- 25 a look at that, please.

- 1 A. We want to keep this one, also.
- Q. (By Mr. Stevenson) Okay.
- 3 A. If we -- if we can do that.
- 4 O. I think we can. Which is -- which is the
- 5 command here to receive an out-of-sequence packet?
- 6 A. Well, it's -- it's a combination of two spots.
- 7 The top spot, which is in 6.2 (a) is saying what happens
- 8 when you get a packet where the sequence number is
- 9 inside of the window. And No. 1 says: Store the
- 10 received MPDU in the buffer. And the (b) step that's
- 11 just below it on the screen is what happens when the
- 12 sequence number is outside of the window, above the
- 13 window, and it also says: Store the received MPDU in
- 14 the buffer.
- 15 And so together, those say whether or not it's
- 16 in the window or out of the window. You have to store
- 17 the MPDU, and that's the receive.
- 18 Q. And where's the command to release
- 19 expectation?
- 20 A. If we look at the (b) part that's at the
- 21 bottom for the implicit block acknowledgement request,
- 22 it's Steps 2 and 3. That's basically changing the way
- 23 the window works.
- And now, if we look a little further down on
- 25 that page, we'll see where the explicit block

- 1 acknowledgement request is.
- 2 So blow up the section which is 7.6.3.
- Q. Okay.
- 4 A. And that's the explicit block acknowledgement
- 5 request. And there it's in Section (a), 1 and 2. Those
- 6 define how the -- the command about expectations.
- 7 Q. Okay. Are these commands?
- 8 A. Yes, sir. Again, you don't get to ignore
- 9 them.
- 10 Q. And how are the commands communicated into the
- 11 accused devices?
- 12 A. Well, the programmers build the devices to
- 13 work this way.
- 14 Q. So if you're building a device that you want
- 15 to be interoperable and work according to the standard,
- 16 you have to basically program these commands into your
- 17 device?
- 18 A. Yes, sir.
- 19 Q. Okay. Now, we've seen a lot of rules and
- 20 window moves. I'd like to step back from the standard
- 21 for a minute, and I know you prepared an animation where
- 22 we can see visually how this works and maybe that will
- 23 help us understand better.
- 24 A. Yes, sir, I think it will.
- Q. All right. What are we seeing here?

- 1 A. Well, here, again, we're seeing part of the
- 2 internals of the receiver with this buffer -- with these
- 3 slots. That's just like in the previous animation, but
- 4 now we're actually seeing the base station which is
- 5 going to act as a transmitter.
- 6 Q. Okay. And it's transmitting packets?
- 7 A. Oh, yes, sir. That's how we can transmit in
- 8 these systems.
- 9 Q. Okay. And is this what we're going to see,
- 10 like, before the packets come and get slotted in?
- 11 A. That's right.
- 12 Q. Is there a window?
- 13 A. Yes, sir, there is. And we see it. It's the
- 14 same window actually as we saw before.
- 15 Q. Okay. And this is, again, looking at the
- 16 receivers?
- 17 A. That's right. This is inside the receiver's
- 18 brain, if you -- if you will.
- 19 Q. All right. Can we start showing packets going
- 20 in again to the window?
- 21 A. We can. Now we see they really come from the
- 22 transmitter. Again, the first one's lost. The second
- 23 one is received. And because the first one was lost,
- 24 this one isn't consecutive with -- we don't see 0 in the
- 25 picture, but 0 is the previous one. So this is actually

- 1 the command to receive something that's out of sequence.
- 2 Q. The number 2 is the command?
- 3 A. Right. The -- the -- receiving that
- 4 packet is a command to receive out of order.
- 5 Q. And explain one more time, why is receiving
- 6 the packet a command to receive out of order?
- 7 A. Because since this particular packet is out of
- 8 order and you're not allowed to not receive it, you're
- 9 required to receive it, it's a command.
- 10 Q. Okay. Let's keep going.
- 11 A. 3 is received. 4 is received. These are in
- 12 order, so they're not the command that the -- that the
- 13 method requires.
- 14 Now, 5 is lost again, just like before. And 6
- 15 is received. And, again, it's a command to receive out
- 16 of ordinary because 6 is not consecutive with 4.
- 17 Q. So this that you've described with the packets
- 18 showing up, is this true for both the MPDU and the
- 19 A-MPDU?
- 20 A. Yes, sir. The A-MPDU is really just a group
- 21 of PDUs that are sent altogether at once.
- Q. Now, let's move on. And before we do, have
- 23 you satisfied yourself that the first part of the
- 24 command, the (a) part, receive at least one packet
- 25 having a sequence number that is not consecutive with

- 1 the sequence number of the previously received packet
- 2 has been met?
- 3 A. Yes, sir.
- Q. Okay. We're not done with this element yet
- 5 because we now need to go to (b)?
- 6 A. Yes, sir.
- 7 Q. And that's release any expectation of
- 8 receiving outstanding packets having sequence numbers
- 9 prior to the at least one packet.
- 10 A. Yes, sir.
- 11 Q. Can you give us a more understandable
- 12 explanation? I mean, we're not going to change the
- 13 language. We're going to stick to that. But just help
- 14 us understand what this is getting to.
- 15 A. Well, (a) defines what the at least one packet
- 16 is.
- So, for example, 6 is an example of those --
- 18 that at least one packet because it's out of sequence.
- 19 And now we have to do something to release
- 20 expectation of receiving, in this particular example, 1
- 21 and 5. And in this system the way it works is the
- 22 window defines what you're expecting to receive.
- Q. And so -- let me ask you to explain that.
- 24 How --
- 25 A. Okay.

- 1 Q. -- does the window define what the receiver is
- 2 expecting to receive?
- 3 A. Well, that's sort of the definition of the
- 4 window is it's the -- the beginning of the window is the
- 5 beginning of the things that you're expecting --
- 6 currently expecting. And the end is the end of the
- 7 things that you're currently expecting. And things that
- 8 are before, you're not -- you're not expecting. You're
- 9 never going to ask for things that are earlier than the
- 10 beginning of the window --
- 11 O. So if the --
- 12 A. -- to be transmitted.
- 13 Q. Sorry.
- 14 If the window moves across, does that release
- 15 expectation of receiving things before the window?
- 16 A. Yes, sir. That's kind of the whole reason for
- 17 doing this windowing stuff.
- 18 Q. And -- and can you show that on your
- 19 animation, please?
- 20 A. I can. I think the first one is going to show
- 21 what happens when we get an explicit block
- 22 acknowledgement request.
- Q. So I'm going to stop here now just to slow us
- 24 down. We talked about two kinds of block
- 25 acknowledgement requests?

- 1 A. Yes, sir.
- 2 Q. Explicit and implicit?
- 3 A. Yes, sir.
- 4 Q. And, again, do both independently infringe the
- 5 patent?
- 6 A. Yes, sir, they do.
- 7 Q. Either one could do it. You don't have to
- 8 have both?
- 9 A. That's right.
- 10 Q. The first one comes across, is this the
- 11 explicit or implicit version?
- 12 A. This is the explicit because you see it's --
- 13 it's labeled BAR. That's for block acknowledgement
- 14 request.
- Q. Why does it have 7 in parenthesis?
- 16 A. Because that says we're going to move the
- 17 front of the window to Slot 7.
- 18 Q. Under the standard, when block acknowledgement
- 19 requests are sent, do they have to have a number with
- 20 them?
- 21 A. The explicit ones do, yes.
- Q. And why do they need a number with them?
- 23 A. Because the number defines what data you
- 24 actually care about, where you're going to move the
- 25 window, what you're going to get an acknowledgement for.

- 1 Q. Okay. After the explicit block
- 2 acknowledgement is received -- excuse me, after the
- 3 explicit block acknowledgement request is received by
- 4 the receiver, what does it do with its window and how
- 5 does it release expectations?
- 6 A. It's going to move it to 7.
- 7 Q. The window his has now moved over --
- 8 A. That's right.
- 9 Q. -- and shifted. And then what happens to the
- 10 expectations for the prior packets?
- 11 A. Well, anything that's below the left edge of
- 12 the window is no longer being expected. You don't
- 13 expect to receive anything below your window. And so
- 14 all of those -- the 1 and the 5, in particular, you're
- 15 no longer expect to receive those. You'll no longer --
- 16 you'll never ask the transmitter to send those to you.
- Q. Okay. And the "you" in that being the
- 18 receiver?
- 19 A. Sorry. Yes, sir.
- 20 Q. All right. And -- so now, can you show the
- 21 same example for the other flavor of block
- 22 acknowledgement request, the implicit block
- 23 acknowledgement request?
- 24 A. I can. I think we show some packets coming in
- 25 first, and then we'll -- and then we'll see the other

- 1 example.
- Q. Okay. So this just -- after you move the
- 3 window, it just keeps going on, filling up?
- 4 A. That's right.
- 5 Q. Is that how these things work? Do they -- do
- 6 these windows just keeping moving along and packets keep
- 7 coming in and just continually moving as more packets
- 8 come in?
- 9 A. Yes --
- 10 Q. And --
- 11 A. -- repeat.
- 12 Q. Now, can we go to the implicit block
- 13 acknowledgement request?
- 14 A. We can. So we're back in the same situation
- 15 as we were in before. We've gotten the out-of-order --
- 16 the out-of-sequence packets, and we've got some drops.
- 17 And now we're going to have an implicit block
- 18 acknowledgement request.
- 19 Q. Okay. And this is the group of packets we
- 20 talked about as being the other way of doing this?
- 21 A. That's right. This is this A-MPDU thing that
- 22 we talked about.
- Q. Again, is this a sender of the -- the
- 24 transmitter of the packets deciding I don't want to try
- 25 to keep redoing 1 and 5, I'm going to move on?

- 1 A. That's right.
- Q. This is -- don't want a pause in the video
- 3 time?
- 4 A. That's correct.
- 5 Q. So we're going to -- these -- so basically
- 6 when we talked about that little block or that little
- 7 glitch you'd see on your TV, is that because 1 and 5 are
- 8 missing?
- 9 A. Exactly.
- 10 Q. Okay. So -- so basically the transmitter has
- 11 decided I'm moving on, let's go ahead and release
- 12 expectation. We saw that with the -- the yellow bar
- 13 before.
- 14 A. That's correct.
- 15 Q. Now, this is a different -- an alternative way
- 16 of doing it in the standard?
- 17 A. That's right.
- 18 Q. Okay. Let's -- let's go ahead and see that.
- These all got sent as a group?
- 20 A. That's because they're A-MPDUs, and that's an
- 21 aggregate group of packets.
- Q. What does the IB mean?
- 23 A. That means that particular group is also an
- 24 explicit block acknowledgement. That's the RSVP.
- Q. Okay. And is there -- how does receipt of the

- 1 A-MPDU cause the window to shift?
- 2 A. Well, the window is going to shift, in this
- 3 case, to the end of the A-MPDU. That's just the rules.
- 4 We saw earlier actually how this works in the -- in the
- 5 standard. So this is going to shift to the end.
- 6 Q. Okay. Does receipt of the A-MPDU and this
- 7 window shift command the receiver to release expectation
- 8 of receiving packets outside the window?
- 9 A. Yes, sir, it does.
- 10 Q. Have you found that (b) is met by both the
- 11 implicit and explicit block acknowledgement requests
- 12 because they release any expectation of receiving
- 13 outstanding packets having sequence numbers prior to the
- 14 at least one packet?
- 15 A. Yes, sir, it is.
- 16 Q. So have you found the commands in this -- in
- 17 the -- excuse me, in the standard and in the Defendants'
- 18 products to do both (a) and (b)?
- 19 A. Yes, sir, I have.
- Q. Let's go to the next element.
- 21 The transmitter discarding all packets for
- 22 which acknowledgement has not been received, and which
- 23 have sequence numbers prior to the at least one packet.
- 24 A. Yes, sir.
- Q. What does that refer to?

- 1 A. Well, now we're talking about -- again, this
- 2 is a transmitter-sort-of-focused claim, and now what
- 3 we're saying is that once the transmitter tells the
- 4 receiver that it's no longer interested in
- 5 retransmitting certain packets, it can just throw away
- 6 the packets that are below the point that it said now
- 7 I'm -- it's saying I'm -- now I'm interested in this
- 8 spot, but nothing before it, and so the transmitter can
- 9 discard everything that's before it.
- 10 Q. So once the window moves on and the packet
- 11 isn't going to be transmitted ever again, what happens
- 12 to it?
- 13 A. Well, the transmitter's going to discard it
- 14 because it's going to re-use that space for other
- 15 packets.
- 16 Q. Any point in keeping it?
- 17 A. No, sir, not at all.
- 18 Q. And is this element met by the accused
- 19 devices?
- 20 A. Yes, sir, it is.
- 21 Q. I wanted to ask you some questions about the
- 22 Defendants' products and their practices.
- Do the Defendants use both in their products,
- 24 implicit block acknowledgement requests and explicit
- 25 block acknowledgement requests?

- 1 A. Yes, sir, they do.
- Q. When are implicit block acknowledgement
- 3 requests used?
- 4 A. When you send one of these A-MPDUs, one of
- 5 these groups of packets together, my understanding is
- 6 that those are almost always sent as implicit BlockAck
- 7 requests.
- 8 Q. Okay. And do all the Defendants' products
- 9 send A-MPDUs?
- 10 A. Oh, yes, sir. That's one of the important
- 11 innovations of 802.11n is sending these packets in
- 12 groups. It's more efficient.
- 13 Q. When are explicit block acknowledgement
- 14 requests used in the Defendants' products?
- 15 A. Well, one of main times is when you send an
- 16 implicit block acknowledgement request and then that
- 17 causes a block acknowledgement to be sent, well, block
- 18 acknowledgements can get lost, also. And so if the
- 19 block acknowledgement gets lost, then you have to ask
- 20 again and the systems ask again by sending an explicit
- 21 block acknowledgement request.
- 22 Q. Have you checked the source code for the
- 23 domestic chip manufacturers to verify the accused
- 24 devices follow the standard as advertised?
- 25 A. Yes, sir.

- 1 Q. And have you seen implicit block
- 2 acknowledgements sent during your testing of
- 3 representative chipsets used in the Defendants'
- 4 products.
- 5 A. Yes, sir.
- 6 Q. And same question for explicit block
- 7 acknowledgement requests.
- 8 A. Yes, sir.
- 9 Q. Which one is more frequent, implicit or
- 10 explicit?
- 11 A. Oh, the implicit, sir, are much more frequent.
- 12 Q. And -- and what's the order of magnitude or
- 13 the ratio, approximately?
- 14 A. Well, it -- it really depends on the
- 15 conditions, but a hundred times more frequent, a
- 16 thousand times more frequent, 10,000 more -- times more
- 17 frequent.
- 18 Q. Okay. And what about the conditions
- 19 influences how many explicit block acknowledgement
- 20 requests will be sent?
- 21 A. Well, if you have conditions where it's likely
- 22 for the block acknowledgements to get lost, it makes it
- 23 more likely that you're going to send an explicit block
- 24 acknowledgement request to fix the fact that a block
- 25 acknowledgement got lost.

- 1 Q. Can you give me a real-world example? When
- 2 does that kind of thing happen?
- 3 A. Probably the easiest to understand case is if
- 4 you're communicating at the edge of your transmission
- 5 range. So it's very easy to lose packets at the edge of
- 6 the transmission range. That's one of the places it's
- 7 most likely to see explicit block acknowledgement
- 8 requests.
- 9 Q. So if I have -- let's say I have a router.
- 10 A. Okay.
- 11 Q. And I had an Internet a connection, I'd plug
- 12 it in right here at the podium.
- 13 A. Okay.
- 14 Q. Put it right here.
- 15 A. Okay.
- 16 Q. I guess this is where the radio is, right?
- 17 A. It's where one of them is, yes, sir.
- 18 Q. And then whatever I'm talking with, if it's a
- 19 laptop or my phone is on Wi-Fi, if I'm real close, I
- 20 have pretty good reception?
- 21 A. If you're real close, you have great
- 22 reception.
- Q. So I'm not going to get very many block
- 24 acknowledgement requests that are explicit in that
- 25 circumstance?

- 1 A. I wouldn't expect you to.
- Q. Okay. Now let's say I was walking away and I
- 3 go down the hall and further down the hall and further
- 4 down the hall. I mean, sooner or later, I'm going to
- 5 get out of range of this thing, right?
- 6 A. Right.
- 7 Q. And I'm going to have nothing.
- 8 A. Right.
- 9 Q. But if I get pretty far away, but I can still
- 10 get some radio reception, then what happens to the
- 11 frequency of block acknowledgement responses that are
- 12 the explicit type?
- 13 A. I would expect to see it go up.
- 14 Q. Are these things essential to compliance with
- 15 the 802.11n standard?
- 16 A. Yes, sir, they are.
- 17 Q. And, again, in the infringement analysis
- 18 you've done, does it matter to you at all whether or not
- 19 Ericsson was present or not present at 802.11 meetings
- 20 when these were being put into the standard?
- 21 A. No, sir. Infringement analysis really is
- 22 exactly what we've been doing: Looking to see if the
- 23 products meet the claims.
- Q. Let's now move on to the next patent. And
- 25 this is going to be the '568 patent.

1 MR. STEVENSON: It's at Tab 4 in the jury

- 2 notebook.
- 3 A. Thank you.
- 4 Q. (By Mr. Stevenson) When was this patent filed
- 5 for, Dr. Nettles?
- 6 A. It was filed on October 15th, 1996.
- 7 Q. And what is the date this patent issued?
- 8 A. October 15th, 2002.
- 9 Q. And who are the Examiners on it?
- 10 A. Wellington Chin and Frank Duong.
- 11 Q. Can you give us a headline encapsulation of
- 12 what this patent is about?
- 13 A. This packet -- this patent is about the fact
- 14 that different kinds of data in the network need
- 15 different treatment, and so there needs to be a way of
- 16 identifying the kind or type of data that is in a packet
- 17 so that it can be given a different treatment.
- 18 Q. And is this -- what type of data are you
- 19 talking about, as far as different kinds?
- 20 A. Well, in the -- the claim construction
- 21 examples, include video, voice, just regular data.
- 22 Those are examples in the -- in the standard also.
- 23 Q. And I believe we can all turn to Tab 1 to look
- 24 at the claim construction for the '568 patent. And the
- 25 Court was construing the service type identifier, which

- 1 we're going to talk about in a minute, which identifies
- 2 the type of payload information.
- 3 A. That's right.
- 4 O. And how did the Court define that?
- 5 A. As an identifier that identifies the type of
- 6 information conveyed in the payload. Examples of types
- 7 of information include, but are not limited to, video,
- 8 voice, data, and multimedia.
- 9 Q. Okay. Well, let's talk a little bit about the
- 10 setting in which the inventors came up with the
- 11 invention.
- 12 What is that?
- 13 A. They were working on cell phone standards.
- 14 And remember, this patent was filed in 1996.
- 15 So at that time, cell phones really -- all
- 16 they could do is voice. But they were looking forward
- 17 to a time when cell phones would be able to do voice and
- 18 video and web pages and e-mail, just -- just like cell
- 19 phones do today.
- Q. And what kind of issues can be created by
- 21 sending different types of data over the same network?
- 22 A. Different kind of -- kinds of data in
- 23 particular have different delay tolerances. And so if
- 24 you want to take into account the tolerance for delay,
- 25 there needs to be extra -- there needs to be new

- 1 functionality in the network to allow you to do that.
- Q. Can you give us an example?
- 3 A. The example we've been talking about most
- 4 frequently is with voice or video.
- If your e-mail is delayed by a minute or two,
- 6 it's not a big deal. If there's a one-second pause in a
- 7 video that you're watching, then that's probably
- 8 annoying.
- 9 If there's a one-second pause every minute in
- 10 a phone conversation, that's -- probably makes it pretty
- 11 hard to have a phone conversation. And if it's every
- 12 few seconds, it's impossible to have a phone
- 13 conversation.
- Q. Can you have phone conversations over these
- 15 wireless networks?
- 16 A. Yes, sir. I mean, that's one of the main
- 17 things we do over them.
- 18 Q. How do you do that?
- 19 A. Well, that's -- I mean, that's what cell
- 20 phones do. But you can also do that over the data
- 21 network by using what we call Voice over IP technology.
- 22 That's a way of doing phone calls over the Internet.
- Q. Okay. And when I asked my question before, I
- 24 was really referring -- and I didn't ask it well -- to
- 25 the wireless Wi-Fi networks.

- 1 A. Oh. Oh, yes, sir.
- Q. Can you do phone calls from your house over a
- 3 Wi-Fi network over the Internet?
- 4 A. Oh, yes, sir. Again, using this Voice over IP
- 5 Internet phone call technology.
- 6 Q. What are programs that do that?
- 7 A. The one that people have probably heard of the
- 8 most is called Skype, but also a lot of -- you know, a
- 9 lot of cable companies provide VoIP phones, and so those
- 10 might go over wireless.
- 11 Q. Okay. I've -- I've heard of Skype before. I
- 12 think I've seen it, like on TV, being used by families
- 13 of servicemen to communicate with them overseas and that
- 14 sort of thing. What's the advantage of using Skype as
- 15 opposed to just making a long distance call?
- 16 A. Well, as long as the person that you want to
- 17 talk to has Internet -- and, for example, service people
- 18 in Afghanistan have the Internet -- you can make
- 19 essentially free phone calls to them.
- Q. Free long distance?
- 21 A. Yes, sir, and, in fact, video calls as well.
- Q. Okay. So would that be an example of
- 23 different types of traffic on the same network?
- 24 A. Yes, sir. If you were making a call like that
- 25 and you were also receiving e-mail, those would be two

- 1 different kinds of data.
- Q. So what is the solution of the patent for
- 3 dealing with the complications or problems caused by
- 4 having different types of data on the same network?
- 5 A. Well, they introduced something called a
- 6 service type identifier. So they created another
- 7 compartment or field where you could actually put an
- 8 identification of what kind of data was in the packet.
- 9 Q. Have you prepared an animation that we can
- 10 look at to see and understand a little better the
- 11 service type identifier?
- 12 A. Yes, sir, I have.
- 13 Q. So it appears now that we are zooming in on
- 14 the base station and one of the terminals, right?
- 15 A. Yes, sir.
- 16 Q. And just as a persistent reminder, we keep
- 17 showing the base station in these animations
- 18 transmitting to the terminal, but they can go both ways,
- 19 can't they?
- 20 A. Yes, sir, and they do.
- 21 Q. I mean, if you were on a Skype call on your
- 22 computer, you would be sometimes sending and sometimes
- 23 receiving based on who's talking.
- A. Exactly.
- Q. Can we put this in motion?

- 1 A. We can.
- Q. What is this group of multicolored packets?
- 3 A. Well, again, these are packets, but this time
- 4 we've colored them different colors to indicate that
- 5 they have different kinds of information in them.
- 6 Q. And can we zoom in on a packet?
- 7 A. We can.
- 8 Q. We zoomed in on the yellow one.
- 9 A. Yes, sir. And we see at the front, there's a
- 10 00.
- 11 Q. Are we again seeing these compartments we've
- 12 been talking about?
- 13 A. Yes, sir.
- Q. And was the invention here to create that
- 15 compartment there on the left?
- 16 A. That's right.
- 17 Q. The one that says 00 on it?
- 18 A. Yes, sir. It can have other values, but
- 19 that's the invention.
- Q. Okay. And what is that called in the patent?
- 21 A. That's the service type identifier. And then
- 22 the claim construction actually just calls it type
- 23 identifier.
- Q. Okay. And what is the -- in the -- in the
- 25 rest of the packet, what are the squiggly things that

- 1 looks like a voice oscilloscope?
- 2 A. That's our graphical representation of voice.
- 3 Q. Now, in the real world, they're not sending
- 4 scribbles. Are they sending --
- 5 A. 1s and 0s.
- 6 Q. I'm just kind of curious. I mean, just a
- 7 ballpark. In one sentence, how many 1s and 0s would you
- 8 need to capture -- not one of my long sentences but just
- 9 a short sentence and turn it into a bunch of 1s and 0s?
- 10 A. Well, the -- the typical way voice is
- 11 digitized for sending over the phone, you break every
- 12 second of conversation into 8,000 pieces.
- 13 Q. And you're talking thousands and thousands of
- 14 1s and 0s just for a second of --
- 15 A. 8,000. Exactly 8,000 per second.
- 16 Q. Okay. What's the purpose of the service type
- 17 identifier?
- 18 A. It's to identify the type of the payload.
- 19 Q. Okay. So in this case, can we -- is there a
- 20 lookup chart in the standard?
- 21 A. Yes, sir, there is.
- Q. And I asked about the standard. Let's start
- 23 with the patent. Let me back up.
- 24 A. Sorry. I thought that's what you meant.
- Q. I meant to ask about the patent.

- 1 Is there a description in the patent of what
- 2 different types of service type identifiers can be?
- 3 A. Yes, sir, there is.
- 4 Q. So what are we seeing here?
- 5 A. We're seeing a table that's taken from the
- 6 patent that says, for example, that if you want to send
- 7 voice, you're going to label it 00 in the service time
- 8 identifier.
- 9 Q. And with the -- would that then get looked up
- 10 as to what 00 stands for?
- 11 A. Yes, sir.
- 12 Q. And where did you get your examples for voice
- 13 and video and data and multimedia to put in this slide?
- 14 A. It's from the patent. I'm looking for the
- 15 page number.
- 16 Q. Is it also from the claim construction we
- 17 read?
- 18 A. Oh, yes, sir. Those -- those particular kinds
- 19 of data are from the claim construction.
- 20 Q. Okay.
- 21 A. I guess maybe there's not an explicit picture.
- Q. Well, let me ask you about the importance of
- 23 the service type identifier.
- A. Yes, sir.
- Q. What does it allow the network to do?

- A. Well, it allows it to treat the different
- 2 kinds of data differently based on what kind of data it
- 3 is
- 4 Q. Okay. How could they be processed
- 5 differently?
- 6 A. Well, in particular, you might give voice the
- 7 highest priority, because it's the most sensitive to
- 8 delay. You might give video the next highest priority
- 9 because it's more sensitive than data. You might give
- 10 data the lowest priority.
- 11 O. All right. Well, let's look now at the claim
- 12 and talk about that. And I believe the claim is located
- 13 at the last page of the patent, Tab 4, Column 13.
- 14 This claim seems a little bit different than
- 15 the ones we talked about before. The ones we talked
- 16 about before were called a method. This one reads: A
- 17 communication station comprising.
- 18 What kind of claim does that indicate to you
- 19 that this is?
- 20 A. It's called an apparatus claim.
- Q. Okay. And how do you go about determining
- 22 infringement of an apparatus claim?
- 23 A. You look to see if the accused device is an
- 24 apparatus or a machine that is capable of doing the
- 25 things that are in the claim limitations.

- 1 Q. But like before, do we have to go through each
- 2 element and make sure that that is met in the accused
- 3 devices?
- 4 A. Oh, yes, sir, except for now we're looking for
- 5 capability.
- 6 Q. Okay. Which Defendants infringe Claim 1?
- 7 A. All of them.
- 8 Q. And which products infringe? All their
- 9 products?
- 10 A. Yes, sir.
- 11 Q. Let's read this together. This requires a
- 12 processor for arranging information for transmission
- 13 including providing at least one first field in which
- 14 payload information is disposed and providing at least
- 15 one second field, separate from said first field, which
- 16 includes a service type identifier which identifies a
- 17 type of payload information provided in said at least
- 18 one first field.
- 19 So is the claim setting up essentially two
- 20 fields, a first and a second?
- 21 A. That's exactly what it's doing.
- Q. Are those the fields we looked at in the
- 23 animation you just showed us?
- A. Yes, sir.
- MR. STEVENSON: Would you go back to

- 1 that, Mr. Diaz, please? Thank you.
- Q. (By Mr. Stevenson) So what is being claimed
- 3 here are the two fields, the first field and the second
- 4 field.
- 5 A. Yes, sir.
- 6 Q. And then the next element is transmitter for
- 7 transmitting. We talked about that.
- 8 Do the accused devices have a processor for
- 9 arranging information for transmission?
- 10 A. Yes, sir, they do.
- 11 Q. And are they all capable of doing that?
- 12 A. Yes, sir. They are all capable of arranging
- 13 things to be transmitted.
- 14 Q. Now I want to get into the first field and
- 15 second field. Are we going to need to get into the
- 16 standard to actually see visually those fields?
- 17 A. Yes, sir, we will.
- 18 Q. Okay. Do you have a slide that shows the
- 19 standard?
- 20 A. I do.
- Q. Okay. And, again, this is Plaintiff's Exhibit
- 22 286.
- A. Yes, sir.
- Q. What's the best place for us to look in this
- 25 to find the -- the format?

- 1 A. If we look at Page 13, we see Figure 7-1.
- 2 This is the MAC frame format. Again, frame is another
- 3 word we use for packet.
- 4 Q. Let's all understand what we're seeing here.
- 5 Let's make sure we're all on the same page, so to speak.
- 6 This is one of the diagrams out of the actual standard?
- 7 A. Oh, yes, sir. It's on Page 13.
- Q. And, again, this is a verbatim copy, right?
- 9 A. Yes, sir.
- 10 Q. Not something you created as a demonstrative;
- 11 this is the actual evidence.
- 12 A. Yes. This was -- yes, sir. This was scanned
- 13 from the -- from a copy of the standard.
- Q. And this is called the MAC frame format.
- 15 A. Yes, sir.
- Q. What's a MAC frame?
- 17 A. Well, again, MAC is the media access control
- 18 layer. That's what -- essentially, everything we've
- 19 been talking about so far, where all of that
- 20 functionality resides.
- 21 And frame is just a different word for packet.
- 22 And format just means how is the packet laid out into
- 23 compartments.
- Q. Is this one of those blue things or one of the
- 25 orange things?

- 1 A. Well, actually, this is a general one, but
- 2 this is basically one of the blue things.
- 3 Q. Okay. So this is the overall look at a blue
- 4 packet?
- 5 A. Yes, sir.
- 6 Q. And this is actually not -- the control
- 7 information, this has the data that's the video or
- 8 video, right?
- 9 A. That's right.
- 10 Q. And does every one of these packets have the
- 11 format that's defined there?
- 12 A. Yes, sir, the ones that carry data do.
- 13 Q. I mean, do they all have to be consistently
- 14 the same?
- 15 A. Well, yes, sir, or otherwise, there's -- I
- 16 mean, again, it's -- everything has to be consistent for
- 17 people to be able to talk.
- 18 Q. Okay. So next -- can you show us where we can
- 19 look into the compartments of the packet to find the
- 20 first field and the second field that's recited in the
- 21 claims?
- 22 A. Yes, sir. If you look at the field that says
- 23 frame body, that's the payload. That's the first field.
- Q. Okay. Why do you call that payload?
- 25 A. Well, that's the place in the -- in the frame

- 1 that you would deposit the data. And we call the data
- 2 the payload. That's just the terminology.
- Q. Okay. And can you tell from looking at this
- 4 diagram -- the way it's drawn, they're all the same size
- 5 box? In reality, are they all the same sizes in the
- 6 real packets that fly around?
- 7 A. Oh, no, sir. In fact, that's an important
- 8 part about this picture, is that it shows -- above it
- 9 shows a number, and the number says how many bytes that
- 10 compartment can be.
- 11 And, in fact, one of the reasons that it's
- 12 clear that the frame body is the payload is because it
- 13 says it can be from 0 bytes all the way up to 7,955
- 14 bytes.
- 15 So that's where -- remember, we talked about
- 16 the packets being variable size? That's where the
- 17 variable size happens.
- 18 Q. Okay. And bytes being a computer term for?
- 19 A. 8 bits.
- Q. And bits being a computer for?
- 21 A. 1s and 0s.
- Q. Okay. So this is -- this is a lot of 1s and
- 23 Os in the frame body, and those 1s and Os are going to
- 24 correspond to whatever content is being sent?
- 25 A. Exactly.

- 1 Q. So that -- that's your payload?
- 2 A. That's right.
- Q. And is payload a pretty typical word that
- 4 people who deal with these kind of packets use to
- 5 describe the content?
- 6 A. Yes, sir. It's not the only word, but it
- 7 would be typical. Everybody would understand that word.
- 8 Q. So we talked about the payload information in
- 9 the first field. Now, what we need to know next is, is
- 10 there a second field, separate from the first field?
- 11 A. Yes, sir.
- 12 Q. Have you identified that second field?
- 13 A. I have.
- Q. And can we show it on here?
- 15 A. We look at the QoS control field.
- 16 Q. Is that separate from the payload field?
- 17 A. It is.
- 18 Q. Does that field include a service-type
- 19 identifier which identifies a type of payload
- 20 information provided in said at least one first field?
- 21 A. Yes, sir, it does.
- Q. And we have "at least one" again. What does
- 23 "at least one" mean?
- 24 A. "At least one" means -- sorry. I need to --
- Q. Just in ordinary parlance, does that mean one

- 1 or more?
- 2 A. Yes, sir, it does.
- 3 Q. So you could have one payload -- or more
- 4 important, two or three payloads and meet this claim?
- 5 A. Oh, yes, sir. It's just that in this case we
- 6 only have one payload.
- 7 Q. But that -- that -- the payload and the -- and
- 8 the -- the first and second field, payload and the other
- 9 one, have at least one field?
- 10 A. Yes, sir.
- 11 Q. What is inside the QoS control field you've
- 12 identified?
- 13 A. Well, it's another one of these nested
- 14 compartments. We have to look inside.
- 15 Q. What does QoS stand for?
- 16 A. That stands for quality of service.
- 17 Q. What does quality of service generally mean?
- 18 A. It's the term we use when we want to
- 19 distinguish between different kinds of data and we want
- 20 to give them different qualities of service. Like we
- 21 want to give very good quality of service to voice and
- 22 pretty good quality of service to video and best effort
- 23 quality of service to data.
- Q. Okay. So now you zoomed in on what's inside
- 25 the QoS control, and we have another format chart.

- 1 A. That's right.
- Q. And that's from where in the standard?
- 3 A. That's Table 7-4. That is on Page 16 of the
- 4 standard.
- 5 Q. Of the --
- 6 A. 2009 standard.
- 7 Q. PX 286?
- 8 A. Yes, sir.
- 9 And what that's showing is that in that field,
- 10 the first four bits -- those are bits 0 through 3 -- are
- 11 a TID.
- 12 Q. Okay. Let me -- let me stop you there, and
- 13 ask you: You say bits 0 to 3?
- 14 A. Yes, sir.
- Q. When it says bits, are you talking about data
- 16 bits?
- 17 A. Yes, sir.
- 18 Q. And under that, then, there's a list of six
- 19 rows.
- 20 A. Yes, sir.
- Q. Each of them says TID in it.
- 22 A. That's right.
- Q. What's that referring to?
- 24 A. Well, each of the rows is a different kind of
- 25 packet that all have this same basic format inside of

- 1 them. So the column to the left of the TID column
- 2 describes exactly what those different kinds of packets
- 3 are.
- Q. Okay. Does TID stand for something?
- 5 A. Type identifier.
- 6 Q. And does that type identifier correspond, in
- 7 your opinion, to the service-type identifier that is
- 8 required for the elements of the claim?
- 9 A. Yes, sir, it does.
- 10 Q. Do all 802.11n devices have to follow this
- 11 packet format?
- 12 A. Yes, sir, they do.
- 13 Q. Is there anything in the standard that would
- 14 map the TID value to the type of information it would
- 15 contain?
- 16 A. Oh, yes, sir. There's a table.
- 17 Q. All right.
- 18 MR. STEVENSON: Can we show that table?
- 19 Q. (By Mr. Stevenson) We jumped to another slide
- 20 here.
- 21 A. Yes, sir.
- Q. Which exhibit is this from?
- 23 A. This is from PX 0283. That's the earlier 2007
- 24 standard.
- 25 Q. And explain how these 2009 and 2007 standard

- 1 books you have interrelate.
- 2 A. Well, the -- the 2007 standard stands on its
- 3 own. It's complete. But the 2009 standard is basically
- 4 a revision. So it says how to revise the 2007 standard
- 5 to be the 2009 standard. So it has all the additions.
- If there's a change, it will show the
- 7 deletions. But if it's not an addition or a change,
- 8 it's going to be in the 2007 standard.
- 9 Q. Okay. So this one is in the 2007, and it
- 10 carries forward to the 2009?
- 11 A. That's right.
- 12 Q. And, again, is this -- this isn't something
- 13 you created. Is this verbatim from the standard?
- 14 A. Yes, sir, it is.
- 15 Q. Explain what this chart is, please.
- 16 A. Well, this is a chart that's showing what the
- 17 possible values for that TID field are. That's the UP,
- 18 the user priority field, in this table. And we see
- 19 highlighted at the bottom 4, 5, 6, and 7.
- 20 And if we look to the right, we'll see that 4,
- 21 5, 6, and 7 are AC_VI, which is a designation for video,
- 22 and then AC_VO, which is a designation for voice.
- Q. Okay. Let me -- let me ask you to walk back
- 24 through that with me just to make sure I've understood
- 25 it. In the left second to the left column, the one

- 1 I'm pointing to with the blue arrow -- that column.
- 2 A. Yes, sir.
- 3 Q. Where would those numbers go in the prior
- 4 slide that we looked at?
- 5 A. They would go in the TID field that we saw.
- 6 Q. So the TID field is going to be a 0, 1, 2, 3,
- 7 4, 5, 6, or 7?
- 8 A. Yes, sir.
- 9 Q. And does that number -- would that go into the
- 10 QoS control field that we looked at in the -- in the
- 11 packet?
- 12 A. Yes, sir. The TID field that we looked at is
- 13 a subfield of the QoS control field.
- 14 Q. Then in the AC field, we have AC_VI -- AC_VI,
- 15 AC_VO, AC_VO.
- 16 A. Yes, sir.
- Q. What do those refer to?
- 18 A. Those are the particular names the standard
- 19 gives to the -- these particular priorities. So AC_VI
- 20 are -- is priority 4 and 5, and AC_VO is priority 6 and
- 21 7.
- 22 Q. Now, defense counsel said in opening that this
- 23 802.11n doesn't identify what's in the payload. And I
- 24 think we saw a slide of a milk truck in the fast lane.
- 25 Do you remember that?

- 1 A. I saw that slide, yes.
- Q. Well, is that right?
- 3 A. Well, I mean, this table says voice and video,
- 4 doesn't say milk truck, but it doesn't say fast lane?
- 5 Q. Okay. So what is the significance of the
- 6 table saying voice or video within the standard?
- 7 A. Well, this table is telling someone who would
- 8 use this capability that if they want to carry voice,
- 9 they should give it a UP of 6 or 7. And if they want to
- 10 carry video, they should give it a UP of 4 or 5.
- 11 Q. So if you wanted to take advantage of the
- 12 quality of service capabilities, you could do that?
- 13 A. Yes, sir.
- 14 Q. Okay. Are all the -- excuse me. In what part
- 15 of the computer is this performed, this element?
- 16 A. Well, this is -- this is performed in the MAC.
- 17 Q. That's the media access controller layer?
- 18 A. Yes, sir, it is.
- 19 Q. And is that one of the lower layers or lower
- 20 levels of the -- what I'll call the transmission stack?
- 21 A. Yes, sir. We're going to see a picture of
- 22 that in a few minutes, but it's the -- it's the second
- 23 lowest layer.
- Q. Do all the accused computers in this case have
- 25 the capability of transmitting this TID field as part of

- 1 the packets they transmit?
- 2 A. Yes, sir, they do.
- 3 Q. Is the same true for the router?
- 4 A. Yes, sir, it is.
- 5 Q. How do the routers meet these functional
- 6 limitations?
- 7 A. Well, they also have a processor that arranges
- 8 these fields and creates these payload fields, puts
- 9 payloads in them, creates this type identifier field,
- 10 puts this value in them in really the same way as the
- 11 computers and laptops do.
- 12 Q. Have you found the first element to be met in
- 13 the Defendants' products?
- 14 A. Yes, sir.
- 15 Q. Let's talk about the second elements. A
- 16 transmitter for transmitting information received from
- 17 said processor, including said at least one first field
- 18 and said at least one second field.
- 19 So you've got another one here that requires
- 20 the first and second fields that we've defined up here
- 21 to be transmitted -- well, at least a transmitter for
- 22 transmitting them.
- Do the accused devices have a transmitter?
- 24 A. Yes, sir. I mean, that's -- that's part of
- 25 the main point of them, is to be a transmitter and a

- 1 receiver.
- Q. And do they actually transmit the first field
- 3 and second field along with every transmission?
- 4 A. Yes, sir, they do.
- 5 Q. Do you find that element to be met?
- 6 A. Yes, sir, I do.
- 7 Q. Let's move on to Claim 5. What kind of claim
- 8 is Claim 5?
- 9 A. It's another one of these dependent claims.
- 10 It's still an apparatus claim.
- 11 Q. Okay. So this -- is this the same thing we've
- 12 done before where we go through and see if No. 1 and No.
- 13 2 are met and then we have to add on -- there's a next
- 14 element -- what is in Claim 5?
- 15 A. Yes, sir, exactly.
- 16 Q. So the first two elements carry over and now
- 17 we just need to see if 5 is true?
- 18 A. Yes, sir.
- 19 Q. In your opinion, which Defendants infringe
- 20 Claim 5?
- 21 A. The router Defendants.
- Q. Just the router Defendants?
- 23 A. Yes, sir.
- Q. And why just the router Defendants?
- 25 A. Because this limitation requires a base

- 1 station, and the routers are base stations.
- Q. What is a base station?
- 3 A. A base station is something which connects a
- 4 wired network and a wireless network. So your router is
- 5 an example. The things that you see on the cell towers
- 6 are examples.
- 7 Q. I've heard of cellular base stations before.
- 8 A. Yes, sir.
- 9 Q. Are -- are these routers and access points
- 10 we're dealing with in this case, these Defendants, are
- 11 they fairly called base stations, also?
- 12 A. Yes, sir. I think the Defendants call them
- 13 that.
- 14 Q. Is this term -- terminology equally applicable
- 15 to cellular, as well as Wi-Fi?
- 16 A. Absolutely.
- 17 Q. Have you seen evidence that the Defendants
- 18 actually refer to their routers and access points as
- 19 base stations?
- 20 A. I have.
- Q. Did you put it on the slide?
- 22 A. Yes, sir, I did.
- 23 So this is for NETGEAR.
- 24 Q. It is PX 0509?
- 25 A. Yes, sir. And it says: There are various

- 1 types of access points, also referred to as base
- 2 stations, used in both wireless and wired networks.
- 3 O. Do you find Claim 5 to be met in the accused
- 4 devices?
- 5 A. In the router accused devices, yes, sir.
- 6 Q. Thank you.
- 7 Is the capability in these claims to transmit
- 8 the first field and the second field essential to
- 9 compliance with the 802.11 standard?
- 10 A. Yes, sir, it is.
- 11 Q. And how does this capability improve the
- 12 performance of Wi-Fi networks?
- 13 A. The performance of Wi-Fi networks is -- this
- 14 lets you do quality service. So this lets you
- 15 prioritize voice and video, and that's going to improve
- 16 the -- the performance in the sense that you'll get
- 17 better performance for the things that you care about
- 18 having a low delay, and the things that tolerate delay
- 19 better will -- you'll be allowed to have a little bit
- 20 more delay, so...
- 21 Q. Are there programs that actually use this
- 22 capability that is within the routers and the computers?
- 23 A. Yes, sir, there are.
- Q. And is this -- are these marketed as QoS
- 25 devices? Is that how they're described in the market?

- 1 A. Yes, sir. They'll mention something about
- 2 QoS, or there will be some QoS aspect that you'll have
- 3 to -- that they'll tout.
- 4 Q. All right. Are there a lot of programs or
- 5 applications currently in the market that take advantage
- 6 of this capability?
- 7 A. No, sir. Really just a handful.
- Q. Okay. Have you identified some, though?
- 9 A. Yes, sir, I have.
- 10 Q. Which ones have you identified that use this
- 11 capability?
- 12 A. Well, one example would be a program called
- 13 CSipSimple, which runs on Android phones.
- Q. CSipSimple?
- 15 A. Yes, sir.
- 16 Q. And how do you get that if you have an Android
- 17 phone?
- 18 A. It's a free application.
- 19 Q. What does it let you do?
- 20 A. Well, it lets you -- it's another one of these
- 21 programs that lets you make the free foreign phone calls
- 22 over the Internet.
- Q. Okay. And that runs on Android?
- 24 A. That particular one does.
- 25 Q. And does that take advantage of this

- 1 capability?
- 2 A. It does.
- 3 Q. Are you aware of others that run on computers
- 4 that take advantage of this capability?
- 5 A. Yes, sir. The Skype program I mentioned
- 6 before and a program called Ekiga, when running on the
- 7 Linux operating systems, takes advantage of these
- 8 capabilities.
- 9 Q. Okay. And what does Ekiga do?
- 10 A. It's -- it's, again, another one of these
- 11 Voice over IP phones, although I think it's more focused
- 12 on making video calls.
- 13 Q. Okay. Like a video conference thing for your
- 14 computer?
- 15 A. Yes, sir.
- 16 Q. Okay. And does Windows have any programs or
- 17 applications that take advantage of this capability?
- 18 A. Yes, sir. Under Windows 7 and Windows 8,
- 19 actually, there's a facility called QA that once you
- 20 start it, Windows Media will take advantage of this
- 21 quality of services to, for example, stream video to an
- 22 XBox using quality of service.
- Q. And does it do that the whole time, or does it
- 24 do it adaptively?
- 25 A. It does it adaptively. So it won't always

- 1 take advantage of this facility. Only when it thinks
- 2 it's advantageous to do so.
- 3 Q. And how did you determine that these programs
- 4 are actually taking advantage of this capability?
- 5 A. I ran them.
- 6 Q. Okay. And did you see some testing done by
- 7 Defendants' experts where they ran some of these
- 8 programs as well?
- 9 A. Yes, sir, I did.
- 10 Q. And were they able -- were you able to see
- 11 another test where they saw this capability being taken
- 12 advantage of by the programs?
- 13 A. In certain cases, yes, sir.
- Q. Okay. And let me ask you this: I know you
- 15 said it's a handful of programs currently being offered;
- 16 but does the fact that it is currently a handful of
- 17 programs using this and taking advantage of this
- 18 feature, affect your opinion on whether the computers
- 19 and routers infringe this apparatus claim?
- 20 A. No, sir, not at all. This -- this claim is
- 21 infringed because of the capability of doing this.
- 22 Q. Okay. Is there anything we need to talk about
- 23 more on the '568 patent?
- A. Not that I can think of.
- Q. Let's go to the next patent.

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                   THE COURT: How long do you anticipate
   this patent will take?
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                  MR. STEVENSON: 25 or --
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                   THE COURT: All right. I think we better
   break for lunch. We've been going a pretty long time
   now, so...
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                   All right, Ladies and Gentleman of the
   Jury. I -- we will take our lunch break at this time.
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                   Please remember my instructions. Don't
   discuss the case amongst yourselves or with anyone else.
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   Enjoy your lunch, and we'll see you back here at 12:25.
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                   We'll be in recess.
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                   COURT SECURITY OFFICER: All rise.
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